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ADDITIONAL BECKWITH NOTES

Including

Avery, Ely, Gilbert, Holmes, Lee,
Smith (Nehemiah, Richard and Simon),
Southerland, Wightman and Williams
Families With Miscellaneous Historical Data
(See Chart For Complete List of Families)

"The man who feels no sentiment of veneration for the
memory of his forefathers, who has no natural regard for his an-
cestors; or his kindred is himself unworthy of kindred, or remem-
brance."

Daniel Webster

by Frederick H. Beckwith
Stratford, Connecticut
1956

PREFACE

After many years of research of Sylvanus Beckwith's Family and the collateral branches, it seems advisable to have the notes printed for the benefit of those interested in these families.

These notes were only possible in the beginning by the help given me by Mrs. John W. Griswold (nee Carrie B. Beckwith) and Mr. Walter D. Beckwith both of New London, Connecticut; and particularly Mr. George T. Nichols and Mrs. Descombe Wells, Sr. (nee Mary Battey Nichols) both of Savannah, Georgia who are descendants from Sylvanus N.⁶ Beckwith.

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To all the above persons and many others I am deeply indebted.

Also, where data has been taken from publications, they and their authors have been mentioned.

CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS TO THE BECKWITH NOTES

p.1, 31, 40 & 42 change - American Genealogy to American Genealogist.

p. 1 - Public Records of Hartford, Conn., 1 Aug. 1639; The following were censured and fined for unreasonable and immoderate drinking aboard the pinnacle:

Thimas Cornwell	30s	Matthew Beckwith	10s
Jno Latimer	15s	Samuel Kitwell	10s
Thomas Upson	20s		

"This was a custom to arrest persons on the least pretense so as to increase the treasury of Hartford". (Jacobus)

p. 2 - Matthew Beckwith's death apparently happened on the east side of the Four Mile River, formerly called Beckwith Cove now closed off by the railroad. "His death gave occasion for a sermon on the Providence of God which took away Matthew Beckwith and spared his fellow wayfarer". Beckwith notes sec. 1, p. 8.

Matthew was a seafaring man and this gave a good reason for such a sermon. F. H. B. This area belonged to Matthew and is now Rocky Neck State Park.

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"Matthew (2) was a seafaring man; was in Guilford for a short time around 1667". Christian Stramer 1897.

p. 4 - Elisha Beckwith - Service in Colonial Wars 5 Sept. to 11 Dec. 1755, Seventh Company; 5 Apr. 1756 Lt. Col. Stephen Lee; 9 Aug. to 24 Au. 1757 Capt. David Cones; 4 Apr. to 15 Nov. 1758 Third Co. Major Jos. Spencer Campaign.

p. 4 - "Lyme 6 June 1781, Last Friday a guard under the command of Ensign Andrew Griswold, stationed at Lyme, discovered a whale boat in a fresh pond near Black Point; and suspecting it came from Long Island, they set a guard of five men over the boat; and the night after four others of the guard with Ensign Griswold went towards the house of the noted Elisha Beckwith; one of the party named Noah Lester, advanced faster than the rest and was challenged by Beckwith's wife, who was near the House; this alarmed ten men who were in the house well armed, and they immediately seized upon and made prisoner of Lester and carried him into the house. Soon after the other four of the guard came to the house (Not knowing Lester was prisoner) and went directly in; where they discovered the ten persons in arms: a scuffle immediately ensued between them; and after some time the guard secured six of the party, among whom was Elisha Beckwith: the other four made their escape into the woods, but all except one was taken the next day. They came in the above boat from Long Island, and were under the command of Thomas Smith, formerly of Middletown, who had a Capt. commission under the British King. Elisha Beckwith went off with the enemy the 6th of Sept. last, when they made their descent on this place. The above culprits are secured in the Norwich gaol." Connecticut Collections 1838 by John Warner Barber - p. 334.

Early in Mar. 1782 Sylvanus Beckwith made a trip to Connecticut to visit his brother Elisha, confined in the Norwich gaol; so his passports issued to him read. He then went to Lyme to bring his aged father and mother (Hezekiah & Lydia) to his home in Stissing, New York, where they died and were burried". Nathan Beckwith's Letter.

p. 10 - Nathan Beckwith m. Sarah A. Sprague, dau. of Crandall, Benjamin³, Rev. David², David¹.

p. 11 - Benjamin Sprague Beckwith's children were Benjamin d. 1867 age 4, Charles and Ann.

p. 12 - Walter Griswold b. 8 Sept. 1887.

p. 13 - Samuel Beckwith m. Abby A. Gorton 1834.

p. 16 - 7. 8 - Nelson B. Beckwith m. Lucretia Hannah Sprague dau. of Crandall.

CHILDREN

1 - Frederick Angustus b. 1836 d. 16 Apr. 1863 Norwich, Conn.

2 - Edward B. 1838

3 - Sarah Clark

8 - 3 Sarah Clark b. 6 Jan. 1841 New London, Conn. d. 8 Jan. 1900 Hartford, Conn. m. 10 Feb. 1864 New London, Conn. John Marshall Ney of Redricken, now LePetit Rederching, Lorraine, France, b. 26 July 1837 d. 26 Sept. 1907 Hartford, Conn.

9-1 Edward Marshall b. 17 Nov. 1864 d. 8 Fev. 1914

9-2 Roscoe Waldo b. 5 June 1868 d. 28 Oct. 1908 Pine Plains, N.Y. m. Elizabeth Lathrop in 1895 in Lynn, Mass.

10-1 Edith

10-2 Leonard L.

(Mrs. Roscoe W. Ney, Miss Edith Ney and Leonard L. Ney live in Pikesville, Maryland. Leonard has a son.)

9-3 Harry Clinton b. 3 Dec. 1869 Hartford, Conn. d. 17 Jan. 1947 Farmington, Conn., m. Florine Schennerr 5 Dec. 1906 Farmington, Conn. (no children)

9-4 Edith Evy b. 17 Jan. 1872 Hartford, Conn. d. 18 Mar. 1934 Hartford, Conn. m. 8 June 1904 Hartford, Conn., William Palmer Conklin, son of Hamilton Washington and Angeline Eliza (Shepard) Conklin b. 27 Feb. 1868 Hartford, Conn. d. 7 Aug. 1940 Hartford, Conn.

10-1 Sarah b. 20 Jan. 1906 Hartford, Conn. m. 8 Oct. 1932 Hartford, Conn. to Keith Smith, Jr. b. 1 Sept. 1906 Staten Island, N. Y.

- 11-1 Sharon b. 23 Jan. 1937 Hartford, Conn.
m. 27 Dec. 1958 Gurdon Hall Buck, Farmington, Conn.
- 11-2 Sanford Keith b. 25 Jan. 1945 Hartford, Conn.
- 10-2 William Palmer b. 14 Aug. 1907 m. Walpole, Mass. Anne Lawrence (Allen) 1 Jun. 1935 b. 11 Jun. 1912.
- 11-1 John Marshall b. 22 June 1937
11-2 Edward Kirkham b. 25 Sept. 1941
11-3 Anne Lawrence b. 6 Sept. 1946
- 10-3 Eliza b. 31 Mar. 1911 Hartford, Conn. m. Robert Gordon Hess 20 Apr. 1935 Hartford, Conn., b. 14 Sept. 1902.
- 11-1 Linda b. 2 Sept. 1937
11-2 Robert Gordon, Jr. b. 15 Sept. 1942
- 10-4 Edith b. 24 Dec. 1918 Hartford, Conn. m. (1) Rodney Olmstead Albright 20 Jan. 1940 Hartford, Conn. m. (2) Richard Albert Weaver 24 Apr. 1944 N.Y.C.
- 11-1 Alan Albright (by first husband) b. 16 Mar. 1941 Culver, Indiana
11-2 Stephen Weaver (by second husband) b. 8 July 1945
11-3 Kevin Weaver b. 4 Oct. 1948
11-4 Daniel Graydon Weaver b. 2 Oct. 1953
11-5 & 6 (twins) Sharon & Mark Weaver b. _____
- 10-5 Paul Sprague b. 13 Aug. 1879 Hartford, Conn. d. 28 Dec. 1924 Cheshire, Conn. m. (1) Bertha Beecher div., m. (2) Edith Smith, now Mrs. Carroll Hincks.
- 11-1 Bertha (by first wife) b. 23 May 1910 m. (1) Thomas Bennett div., m. (2) William Lukens of Radnor, Penn. (Peter Ney Bennett-adopted)
11-2 Gail b. 29 Nov. 1911 m. (1) Robert W. Boas in 1936 div., m. (2) Frank Busch in 1949.
- 12-1 Gay Harriet Boas (by first husband)
11-3 Paul Sprague b. 2 Apr. 1913 m. Gloria (Two adopted children Gordon & Dulany) _____

This additional information on the Nelson B. Beckwith family was given to me by Sarah Conklin Smith (Mrs. Keith Smith, Jr.) of Farmington, Conn.

- p. 16 - 7. 9-Sylvanus Nathan Beckwith - Hays is also spelt Hayes.
- p. 18 - Elizabeth J. Taylor should be Eliza Jane.
- p. 20 - Samuel Smith⁵ served in the 4th Ballation-Wadsworth Brigade, Col. Selden 1776, Capt. Holmes, East Hadden Samuel Smith⁵ & Sr. served in the Revolution Capt. Fitch Co. (Independent Volunteers) 1 Mar. 1789 to 1 Mar. 1782.
- p. 33 - William Southerland probably came over on the "Henry & Francis" which was headed for Isthmas of Darien, Conn.; but landed in Amboy, N.J. 18 Dec. 1685. Robert McEwen, one of its passengers left immediately and was in Stratford 18 Feb. 1686. There is a tradition that William Southerland and others left with him and is probably the one who settled in Greenwich. Neither he nor the other companions settled in Stratford. H. W. Wilcoxson 2 Apr. 1959, author of History of Stratford.
- p. 34 - Southerland 2-5 Joseph m. (1) children Peter, James, William, Justus, John, Mary, Isbella, Silas, Eric, m.(2) children Rachael, Jerusha, Hannah, Justus.
- Southerland 2-2 Capt. Robert should be Capt. Roger
- William R. m. Elizabeth dau. of Elias Palmer and Elizabeth Field.
- p. 39 - Tallman Family Ref. American Genealogist Vols.14 & 20.
- p. 41 - Rev. Timothy Wightman served in the Rev. War. Latimer's Reg. Aug. to Nov. 1777.

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EARLY DEFINITIONS IN CONNECTICUT

"Resident" - one who was admitted as an inhabitant.

"Inhabitant" - householder 21 years of age or older who has taken the oath of fidelity.

"Freeman" - one who having been admitted an "inhabitant" and having taken the oath of "fidelity", might vote in the election of Deputies (Representatives).

"Transients" were an unavoidable element in the community, their right meagre in the extreme, extending to them but scant and grudging hospitality at best, special regulations being passed as early as 1640 which most effectually estopped their being harbored within the Town's limits.

"Mister" - To be called Mister was an honor and people regarded you as a person of importance and superior social standards among the people of the community.

ABBREVIATIONS

abt.	about	Dr.	Doctor
aft.	after	Ens.	Ensign
adm.	administration	g.s.	grave stone
Asst.	Assistant	Lieu.	Lieutenant
b.	born	m.	married
bapt.	baptized	M. E.	Methodist Episcopal
bet.	between	oc.	occupation
b.r.	bible record	p.	page
bur.	buried	prop.	proprietor
Capt.	Captain	Ref.	Reference
Col.	Colonel	Rep.	Representative
c.r.	church records	Rev.	Reverend
d.	died	R. W.	Revolutionary War
dau.	daughter	V. S.	Vital Statistics
div.	divorced	w. d.	who died

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Each Ancestor's name is shown in the column number where the last generation of that family is mentioned. For example, take the Ely Family: Follow down column 5 until Ely is found, then read columns to the right for the past generations of that family and their wives.

Children of Sylvanus N. Beckwith and Lucinda Smith

Laura L.-Nathan-Samuel S.-Belinda S.-Calvin E.-Lucinda S.-Nelson B.-Sylvanus N.-Allen W.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Children of Sylvanus N. Beckwith and Lucinda Smith Laura L.-Nathan-Samuel S.-Belinda S.-Calvin E.-Lucinda S.-Nelson B.-Sylvanus N.-Allen W.	Sylvanus N. Beckwith						
	Sylvanus Beckwith	Hezekiah Beckwith	Capt. Joseph Beckwith	Joseph Beckwith	Matthew Beckwith		
				Susannah Tallman	Mary		
			Marah (Mary) Lee	Thomas Lee	Peter Tallman	Henry Tallman	
					Alice Hill	Phillip Hill	
				Marah DeWolfe	Thomas Lee	Wm. Brown	
					Phebe Brown		
					Belshaver DeWolfe		
					Alice		
			Capt. Samuel Gilbert	Jonahan Gilbert	Thomas Gilbert		
				Mary Welles	Lydia		
					Welles		
					Frances		
	Amy Sutherland	Lydia Gilbert	Mary Rogers	Samuel Rogers	James Rogers		
					Elizabeth Rowland	Samuel Rowland	
				Mary Stanton	Thomas Stanton		
					Ann Lord	Thomas Lord	
			William Sutherland				
			Margaret Toshalk?				
	Lucinda Smith	Samuel Smith	Samuel Smith	Nehemiah Smith	Nehemiah Smith		
				Lydia Winchester	Sarah Ann Bourne	Thomas Bourne	
			Elizabeth Ely	Capt. Wm. Ely	Alexander Winchester		
				Elizabeth Smith	Richard Ely		
					Joane Phipps		
					Simon Smith		
			Rev. Valentine Wightman	Rev. Geo. Wightman	Johannas Wightman	Rev. Ed. Wightman	
				Elizabeth Updike	Francis Darby		
			Susanna Holmes	Rev. John Holmes	Gilbert Updike	Lodawick Updike	
					Katherine Smith	Richard Smith	
					Obadiah Holmes	Robert Holmes	
					Catherine Hyde		
				Mary Sayles	John Sayles		
					Mary Williams	Roger Williams	
			Mark Stoddard	Ralph Stoddard	John Stoddard		
				Mary Ames	Mary Foote	Nathaniel Foote	
					Hugh Ames?		
			Joanna Avery	Edward Avery	Lt. James Avery	James Avery	
					Edward Stallion	Edward Stallion	
				Susanna Rose	Thomas Rose		
					Hannah Allyn	Robert Allyn	

- ADDITIONAL BECKWITH NOTES -

In my search to correctly place Sylvanus Nathan⁶ Beckwith in the proper family tree, I found many mistakes in the Beckwith Genealogies, including the collateral branches in the families of Sylvanus Nathan⁶ Beckwith and his wife Lucinda⁶ Smith. These corrections and their known descendants have been listed in these notes.

1. Matthew Beckwith - (Beckett, Beckley)

The late Gen. Simeon Fox of Manhattan, Kansas, a capable Genealogist with a good knowledge of the early families of New London writes "that Matthew Beckwith, the immigrant was not the son of Marmaduke Beckwith of Dacre and Clint, England, and was probably born in Essex, England. His wife was Mary and not Elizabeth".

Matthew immigrated to this country before 1639, possibly as early as 1630. My belief is that he was a Trader who came over in one of the many vessels, name unknown, with a group from Essex, England who settled first in Watertown, Mass., and later at Windsor, Weathersfield and Hartford, Conn.*

Matthew was in Hartford, Conn., 1 Aug. 1639 (Hartford Public Records p. 29) aboard a pinnace (small schooner) with other members of her crew. He probably married one of the families from the above towns. His two daughters married Watertown, Mass. men; indicating a close tie with these families.

These schooners were used as trading vessels bringing needed supplies to new settlements and returning with beaver skins to Boston, Providence, New Amsterdam and other seaports.

He apparently continued as a trader going from one port to another. His home port was at Lyme, Conn., where he kept his boat. This was known as Beckwith Cove (New London, Conn. Rec. 18, 141, 7 April 1767 William Smith of Lyme, Conn., conveys land to head of Beckwith Cove).

While Matthew was married by 1641/2 he did not acquire a home lot until 1645. This would indicate he lived on his vessel as his dau. Mary b. abt. 1643 (and possibly his wife) stayed with B. Barnards in Hartford, Conn., until he built a home.

Three of his children, Joseph, Mary and Sarah, courted a long distance from home indicating that Matthew sailed to these ports giving his children the opportunity to become acquainted in distant seaports. His daughter Elizabeth married a sea captain.

* American Genealogy Vol. XXVI p. 152.

In 1645 Matthew bought land in Hartford, Conn., from Wm. Platt, and in 1650 bought land in Hartford, Conn., from Thomas Porter. In the Spring of 1651 he was given a house lot in New London (East Lyme), Conn. His wife was at the Hartford Court 22 May 1665 where she gave her age as 40.

CHILDREN - First 4 probably b. in Hartford, Conn.
Last 3 in East Lyme, Conn.

- 1.- Mary b. abt. 1643 m (1) abt. 1664 Benj. Grant b. 6-7-1641 Watertown, Mass., m. (2) 10 May 1667 at Watertown, Mass., Samuel Daniels
- 2 - Matthew b. abt. 1645 d. 14 June 1727, m. (1) abt. 1666 Elizabeth, m. (2) Elizabeth Griswold, div. wife of J. Rogers, widow of P. Pratt.
- 3 - Elizabeth b. abt. 1647, m. (1) 1665 Capt. Robt. Jerrard m. (2) John Bates of Haddam
- 4 - Sarah b. abt. 1650 probably m. Joshua Grant b. 11 Apr. 1636 Watertown, Mass.
- 5 - Joseph b. abt. 1653 E. Lyme d. first half 1707 m. Susanna Tallman of Portsmouth R. I.
- 6 - Nathaniel b. abt. 1656 m. abt. 1678 wife Martha mentioned in his will was his second wife.
- 7 - John b. abt. 1665 E. Lyme d. 8 Dec. 1757 age 92, Hempstead Diary. m. abt. 1688 Prudence Manwaring.

In Wintrop Medical Journal p. 379, Pequot (New London), Conn., 1657 gave ages of the children as follows: Matthew Beckwith age 12, Elizabeth Beckwith age 10, Sarah Beckwith age 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, Joseph Beckwith age 4, Mary Beckwith age 14 at B. Bernards. She was apparently living with the family of Bartholomew Bernard of Hartford, Conn.

"In the Spring of 1682, Matthew Beckwith Senior, age abt. 70, missing his way in the very dark night, fell from a ledge of rocks about 20 or 30 feet high and beat his brains against a stone he fell upon. Mr. Simeon Bradstreet - Journal N. E. Hist. & Gen. Reg. 6 9-501." Inv. filed 6 June 1682 Est. 393 E - Birth about 1612. After the death of Matthew Beckwith, his widow Mary, married one Samuel Buckwall (or Buckland). She died before 30 June 1694.

2. Joseph Beckwith - Son of Matthew - b. 1653 Lyme and d. early part of 1707 m. abt. 1676 Susannah Tallman dau. of Peter Tallman, Portsmouth, R.I., b. abt. 1662 bapt. 9 July 1682. She died early in 1717. Her second marriage about 1715 was to Capt. Joseph Way of Lyme, Conn. Joseph Beckwith was an Inkeeper in Lyme, Conn. He made deeds of gifts of his entire estate to wife and two children. Will 3 April 1707 - V.S. 1-355. He died before the deeds were officially acknowledged. He did not die in the Wood Creek Expedition in 1709.

CHILDREN (Lyme, Conn. V.S.)

- 1 - Sarah b. 14 April 1677? m. William Minor
- 2 - Joseph b. 15 April 1679 m. Mary (Marah) Lee

Joshua Hempstead laid out the land boundries bet. Joseph Beckwith and Wm. Minor.

3. Capt. Joseph Beckwith - Son of Joseph² - b. 15 April 1679
d. 9 Aug. 1741 at Lyme, Conn. Will 3 Dec. 1735. m. Mary
(Marah) Lee dau. of Thomas Lee, jr., b. 28 Apr. 1679 d.
2 April 1761. She m. (2) 16 May 1745 Capt. Daniel Sterl-
ing m. (3) Capt. John Riggs of Derby, Conn. He d. 24 Sept.
1755, age 78. Her Will was dated 18 June 1759 at Colchester,
Conn.

CHILDREN (All born in Lyme, Conn.)

- 1 - Joseph (Capt.) b. 1 June 1700 d. 1783
- 2 - Thomas b. 1 July 1702, living at Bristol, Conn., 1789
- 3 - Hezekiah b. 5 Feb. 1704/5
- 4.- Susannah b. 11 May 1708 m. Amos Tinker
- 5 - Mary b. 15 April 1710 m. Capt. Matthew Marvin
- 6 - Lydia b. 16 Feb. 1712 m. (1) 27 April 1732 Benj. Huntley
m. (2) 30 Dec. 1739/40 John Crossman
- 7 - Elijah b. 15 Dec. 1713 m. Lydia Smith dau. of Samuel Smith
m. (2)
- 8 - Nathan b. 12 Feb. 1717/18 d. before 1759
- 9 - Dorothy b. 19 Sept. 1720 m. Simon Smith, son of Samuel
Smith³
- 10 - Stephen b. 6 Mar. 1722

The Colonial Records of Connecticut "May 1727 - This Assembly does establish and confirm Mr. Joseph Beckwith of Lyme to be Captain of the East or Second Company in the Town of Lyme aforesaid, and ordered to be commissioned accordingly."

"Oct. 1727 - Upon the Memorial of Samuel Gilbert, Resolved by this Assembly, that Capt. Joseph Beckwith of Lyme be appointed instead of George Way, to see so much of the real estate of Capt. Joseph Way deceased, in conjunction with the said Gilbert, etc."

Note: See notes on Gilbert Family p. 25.

Notes from Joshua Hempstead Diary - "1730 May 22 fair I went with Lt. Chapman, Mess. Thomas Prentis and Jno Richards, Selectman to seth the bounds between us and Lyme, also Capt. Stephen Prentis with us, cuzns. Thos. and John Lee, we met at Jno Champlins and loged at Capt. Jos. Beckwith."

Also "1757 April Sund 10 fair I was out all day and in the eve att. Colln. Steven Lee to visit Mrs. Riggs, widow of Capt. Riggs, late of Derby. She is my kinswoman and own sister to Colln. Lee, her first husband was Capt. Joseph Beckwith and her second Deacon Sterlin of Lyme. She was the third daughter of my uncle Lee who lived and died in Lyme and was first of ys name there and came over as a child with my Grandmother in the first Settlement of this Country. He had two sisters, one was the mother of the family of Hides in Norwich and Lebanon, etc."

Joseph Beckwith in his will states that he is husbandman (farmer), mentions wife Mary, a son Joseph and four daughters - Susanah, Mary, Lydia and Dorothy. Sons - Elijah, Nathan and Stephen were without heirs at the date of his will. His three sons Joseph, Thomas and Hezekiah had already received their portions. Nathan and Stephen were under age according to his will.

His widow Mary(Beckwith) Riggs in her will mentions her children in the following order: Joseph, Lydia, Thomas, Hezekiah, Elijah, Nathan who was dead and had given his daughter Mary his share, Stephen, Mary, Dorothy and Susanna.

In copying the will the N.E. Hist. & Gen. Reg. Vol. 40 misinterpreted her son's name Hezekiah as Zachariah. In a letter dated 13 April 1954 Mr. John G. Feders, Town Clerk of Colchester examined the will under a magnifying glass and stated the first letter seemed to be a "H" and copied the name Hezekiah. As Hezekiah was mentioned in his father's will it is self evident that there was not a son Zachariah.

4. Hezekiah⁴ Beckwith - Son of Joseph³ - b. 5 Sept. 1704 Lyme, Conn. d. 13 Mar. 1791 age 87 (g.s.) m. Lydia Gilbert (Capt. Samuel³, Jonathan², Thomas¹) b. 4 Sept. 1707 d. 14 Mar. 1794 age 87 (g.s.) Both buried in the old Baptist Cemetery Yard at McIntyre, Stanford, Dutchess Co., N. Y.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Elisha b. 12 Oct. 1738 "He and his wife were perniciously active loyalists. He went to Halifax 1791 without family and died there". (A. C. Beckwith Notes)
- 2 - Sylvanus b. 22 May 1742 m. Amy Southerland (Sutherland)
- 3 - Ann b. 30 May 1743 m. F. Brown, a R. W. Soldier
- 4 - Nathan b. abt. 1747 d. 1832 age 85 at Waterford, Conn. He was a R. W. soldier in Col. Thomas Knowlton (Knowlton's Rangers) Reg. 20 Continentals. Known as Nathan the Reckless, one of Knowlton's holy terrors to the Tories. (A. C. Beckwith 27 May 1914) Nathan and his son Nathan, jr. both served in the War of 1812.
- 5 - Matthew b. abt. 1740 possibly a son of Hezekiah and lived in Beekman Precinct, N. Y. when he took the Associator's Oath in 1775. He m. (2) Abigail Barmore 29 Dec. 1776 at the Bengall Baptist Church, Stanford, N. Y. (c.r.)

In the Census of 1790 he was listed in Canaan Town, Colombia Co., N. Y., with one son over 16, two under 16 and one daughter. I believe both he and Sylvanus may have left Lyme, Conn., together but settled some distance from each other. Both were Baptists and when he married the second time it was at the Bengall Baptist Church of which Sylvanus was also a member.

5. Sylvanus Beckwith, son of Hezekiah, b. 22 May 1742, Lyme, Conn. d. 30 May 1839, age 97 yrs. 8 dys. (g.s.) m. Amy Southerland dau. of William² b. 20 April 1743 d. 22 Oct. 1817 age 75 (g.s.). Both are buried in the old Baptist Cemetery Yard at MacIntyre, Stanford, N. Y.

Sylvanus Beckwith left his home in East Lyme, Conn., as a traveling carpenter probably about 1764 or 65 settling in Charlotte Precinct, N. Y., say about 1767. The probable reason for leaving home was the depression.

"In 1764 the American Colonies were in the grasp of one of those economic depressions which certain later generations of Americans were to feel acutely. From Boston there were complaints that the number of vessels engaged in the East Indian Trade had been cut down by four-fifths caused by the Sugar Act of 1764". History of New York State by A. C. Flick.

Furthermore, being a Baptist, he naturally went to that section, where they were not prosecuted and where large numbers of Baptists were moving in this undeveloped section. Among those, you will find Edward Avery, Valentine Wightman, Nehemiah and Samuel Smith, Christopher Sharpe and many others closely connected by marriage and religion with this Beckwith family.

"In 1800 Valentine Wightman or Whitman, was in the possession of the Mount Ross Mills (It may have been previous to this.) and kept a store. (Log Building) Besides being a merchant, Wightman had the distinction of being a town officer, for at divers and sundry times, he served a summons venue and a warrant in 1800 and 1801 which he was faithful to record. These were halcyon days for pettifoggers (lawyers) and justices, and also for tavernkeepers, who sold N. E. Rum for three cents a drink. Law suits were a sort of poker game, the chips being the cost." (History of Nine Little Partners, etc. by Isaac Huntting) This Valentine Wightman was probably the grandson of Rev. Valentine Wightman of Groton, Conn. - See Wightman Family.

"Here seems to have been a distinguished resort for Baptist when they were but few in any other part of the State". (N. Y.) History of Baptist Denomination by George Benedict.

"The Baptists had a bad name as religious radicals. They were democratic, did not believe in infant baptism, advocated by the absolute separation of the church from the state and frequently choose as ministers untrained and unordained men". History of New York by A. C. Flick.

"Stranger still is the recollection of how these Puritans, having braved terrible hardships for personal liberty in worship, refused it to others, in many instances whipping Quakers and Baptists out of the Colony". Connecticut Trilogy - Allis.

"The stirring times of the Revolution was approaching and like his Baptist brethren elsewhere Elder Burrows at once espoused the cause of freedom and saw in that struggle not only the political enfranchisement of the land, but a boom which to him and his oppressed people were still dearer - freedom to worship God independently of Civil Power". History of Groton, Stark; also see History of New London, Caulkins.

Charlotte Precinct is located in Northeast section of Dutchess Co., N. Y., and is a part of the Oblong Grant, and the Little Nine Partners Grant, from which the Town of Washington was taken. In 1793 Stanford was taken from Washington. The villages of Bengall, Stissing and McIntyre are in the Town of Stanford. The eastern section of New York was claimed by New York and Conn., and the boundary line was not settled until after 1800.

It was there Sylvanus married Amy Southerland. He first lived on a small piece of land with house and barn taken from a farm originally occupied by Amy's father, William, and later farmed by Smith Southerland, her nephew.

The house which Sylvanus later built and lived in is still standing, as well as a few other old houses which were called Beckwith Houses.

Between June and July 1775 he took the Associator's Oath at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He enlisted as a private, Sixth Regiment, Dutchess Co., N. Y., and was entitled to Land Bounty Rights. He served under Col. David Southerland and Capt. Roger Southerland. They were his brothers-in-law.

Associator's Oath which was the principals contained in the following:

"General Association declaration recommended by Continental Congress and so resolved upon this Provincial Congress for the purpose of preserving our constitution and opposing the execution of the several arbitrary and oppressing sets of the British Parliament until a reconcilliation between Great Britain and America on Constitutional Principals. The First Continental Congress meeting was 5 Sept 1774. Those who signed and those who did not were so recorded in Dutchess Co., N. Y."

Land Bounty Rights in New York State as passed on March 23, 1782 gave the right for two hundred acres to a foot soldier, no compensation mentioned.

"Each individual was to furnish a well fixed musket or fuzee, a good sword belt, cartridge box, 6 cartridges of powder, a horn and 6 sizable bullets. At his house, he must have a pound of good gun powder, 3 pounds of sizable bullets." New York in the Revolution by James A. Roberts, Comptroller.

"Early in March 1782 Sylvanus made a trip to Lyme, Conn. (Now having business in the State of Connecticut where his brother Elisha Beckwith is confined, as the passport issued to him reads). The business of Sylvanus was to bring back his aged father and mother." Nathan⁸ Beckwith's letter of Oct. 1944.

George Adsit, of Stanford, N. Y., in his will dated Oct. 17, 1796 probated June 27, 1797, names his friend Silvanus (Sic) Beckwith as an executor and Nathan S. Beckwith was a witness.

Sylvanus and Amy Beckwith's Children - While the Beckwith Genealogy by Paul Beckwith and the Beckwith Notes mention but two children, Nathan b. 15 Sept. 1778 and Isreal b. 23 Sept. 1786 (should be Isaac), the above information was apparently given by the late Dr. Josiah Beckwith, jr., great grandson of Sylvanus, as he is quoted as the authority by Nathan⁸ E. Beckwith and the late Mrs. Elizabeth⁷ Odgen (granddaughter of Sylvanus⁵). Mrs. Odgen in a letter dated 13 April 1921 said "Yet I have often wondered at the number of years between my father's birth and that of his brother". Note: The mother would be 35 years old when Nathan⁶ was born and 43 when Isaac was born, hardly consistant with nature's laws of conception.

Mr. A. C. Beckwith, author of the Beckwith Notes said in his letter to me dated 1 April 1914 "My correspondents of the line of Joseph have all been of the family of Col. Nathan. One of these, Dr. Josiah G. Beckwith, jr., told me that his father visited New London County and gained his knowledge at first hand and authentically. We already know that it was inexact, but could do little in the way of correction".

However, below are certain definite facts to prove there were more children. The New York Census of 1790 Washington, N. Y., under Sylvanus Beckwith:

- 3 males over 16 - himself, son Sylvanus N., other son's name not known.
- 2 males under 16 - Sons Nathan and Isaac
- 3 females - his wife and two daughters,
no other free persons; no slaves.

Census of 1800 - Stanford (Taken from Washington, N. Y., in 1793) -

- 1 male and 1 female over 45 - himself and wife
- 1 male and two females 16 to 26 - Nathan and two daughters, one Sarah
- 1 female under 10
- (N. Y. Gen. and Bio. Record) (67:363)
- The two oldest sons having departed before 1800.

Census of 1810 -

- 1 male and 1 female over 45 - himself and wife
- 1 male and 1 female 16 to 26 - Isaac and dau. name unknown
- 1 male 10 to 16

To visualize the children more clearly:

Census of 1790 -

- 1 son b. abt. 1770
- 2 Sylvanus N. b. 1773

Census of 1790 & 1800 -

- 3 Sarah b. abt. 1775 (m. Daniel Rawley 1801)
- 4 Nathan b. 15 Sept. 1778 d. 4 Mar. 1865 m.(1) Elizabeth Gale, m.(2) Maryette Pelton
- 5 Daughter say abt. 1782
- 6 Isaac b. 23 April 1786 d. 3 May 1823 m. Millicent

Census of 1800 -

- 7 Daughter b. abt. 1790 after April
- 8 Daughter b. abt. 1793

The above children would be born when their mother would be between the ages of 27 and 50.

Early Marriage Records under Rawley Family.

Daniel Rawley⁶ b. abt. 1763 in Amenia, N. Y., bapt. 3/27/1763 d. abt. 1845 in Fabius, N. Y., m. 1801 Sarah³ Beckwith (N.Y. Gen. & Bio. Record - Vol. 37, Page 204)

This Sylvanus Beckwith family was the only Beckwith family in Stanford, N. Y., area. It would seem without question that Sarah was his daughter. You will also note that Sarah was a Southerland family name, as Col. David and Capt. Roger each had a daughter Sarah, both considerably older than Sarah Beckwith mentioned above. Therefore, she was probably named after them.

In the first census every precaution was taken to give the true facts as to the heads of the members of the family separating other free persons and slaves who lived at the same abode. The act providing fine of two hundred dollars on assistants and eight hundred dollars on the Marshalls for failing to make returns or making false statements.

Mr. Donald L. Jacobus, M. A., noted genealogist in his letter of 26 Jan. 1951 "I do not think we can positively say that every person indicated in 1790 and 1800 census was a child of Sylvanus though I should assume most of them were, especially as the number of males and females in each census tallied except the departure of the older sons. I most certainly disagree with Nathan⁶ Beckwith in supposing that a different family was living with Sylvanus Beckwith".

The following is substantial proof that Sylvanus N. was a son of Sylvanus of Stanford, N. Y.

First: On August 27, 1914 I received a letter from Alfred C. Nichols of Savannah, Ga., grandson of George T. Nichols which read in part "My wife, in looking up records found among my grandfather's (George T. Nichols) papers some little notes. My mother was Belinda Southerland Beckwith (her father was Sylvanus⁷ N. Beckwith). My grandmother was Lucinda Beckwith, (his grandfather was Sylvanus⁶ N.

Beckwith) and great-grandmother Amy Southerland, who married Sylvanus Beckwith⁸. Belinda Southerland Beckwith was a sister to my grandfather, Sylvanus⁷ N. Beckwith.

Second: The N. Y. Census of 1790 and 1800 proved that Sylvanus had at least 8 children, instead of two.

Third: Sylvanus and Amy, -- two oldest sons not listed in Census of 1800. Sylvanus N. one of these, made a freeman 2 April 1802 at Waterford, Conn. He was 29. This would indicate he was in Connecticut but a short time.

Fourth: That Sylvanus⁶ N. Beckwith followed his father's occupation and religion.

Fifth: That at least three of his children were named after the families of his father and mother.

Sixth: That no Southerlands (Sutherlands) lived in Waterford, Conn., area at the time Belinda Southerland Beckwith was born. In fact, the only Southerlands who lived in Connecticut were in Greenwich, Conn. One in 1790, Roger; in 1800, Mary; in 1810 and 1820, Silas which proves further the family connection.

Seventh: Southerland (now spelt Sutherland) was so spelt in the Census of 1790 and 1800, 1810 and 1820. The same as Belinda Southerland Beckwith's name was spelt. She was born 18 Nov. 1812 in Waterford, Conn.

Eighth: Sylvanus⁵ had a son Sylvanus Nathan⁶ b. 1773 and a son Nathan b. 1778. Sylvanus Nathan⁶ had a son Nathan⁷ born 1804 and a son Sylvanus Nathan⁷ b. 1821 which further proves the family connection.

6. Sylvanus Nathan Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁵, b. abt. 1773
Stanford, N. Y., near the Village of Bengall, d. 9 Mar.
1857 age 84 (g.s.) New London, Connecticut, m. Lucinda⁶
Smith dau. of Samuel⁵ b. abt. 1785 Waterford, Conn.
d. 17 Aug. 1860 age 75 (g.s.)

He took the Freeman's Oath 12 Apr. 1802 Waterford, Conn., Vital Records (I.B.). The apparent reason for going back to the home of his ancestors was the great demand for ship carpenters, who received 25% more than house carpenters (Adam Smith's Wealth of a Nation p. 127) He was a Baptist and belonged to Union Lodge #31 raised 17 Feb. 1820 New London, Conn. Late in life he moved to New London, Conn.

CHILDREN - (All born in Waterford, Conn.)

- 1 - Laura Louisa b. 16 Sept. 1804 d. 7 Sept. 1877
- 2 - Nathan b. abt. 1805 d. 29 Oct. 1869 age 65 g.s.
- 3 - Mary Wightman b. June 1807 d. 21 July 1881
- 4 - Samuel Smith b. Oct. 1810 d. June 1869 age 58 yrs. 8 mos.
- 5 - Belinda Southerland b. 18 Nov. 1812 d. 12 Nov. 1845
- 6 - Calvin (Elisha) b. 1814
- 7 - Lucinda Smith b. 3 June 1816 d. 10 Jan. 1904
- 8 - Nelson B. b. abt. 1818 d. 20 July 1880 age 63
- 9 - Sylvanus Nathan b. 27 Jan. 1821 d. 24 Apr. 1905
- 10 - Allyn Wightman b. 10 Apr. 1823 d. 16 Jan. 1899

Ref: Gen. Nehemiah Smith Family Page 141-142

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Census 1850, New London, Conn.

Sylvanus N. Beckwith, age 75, carpenter

Lucinda Beckwith, age 64

Allyn W. Beckwith, age 27, mariner

Lucinda Weed, age 34

Mary J. Weed, age 8

Sarah A. Weed, age 6

Allyn W. Beckwith was their son and Lucinda Weed was their daughter. Mary J. and Sarah A. were daughters of Lucinda Weed.

7. 1-Laura Louisa Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁶ b. 15 Sept. 1804 Waterford, Conn., d. 7 Sept. 1877, Waterford, Conn. m. James M. Hay b. 1804 in Canada

Census 1850, New London, Conn.

James M. Hay, age 46, tailor

Laura L. Hay, age 44

James B. Hay, age 15 (James Beckwith Hay)

George Nichols Hay, age 13

Josephine Hay, age 8

Henrette Hay, age 5

Lucy Hay, age 3

George Nichols⁸ Hay b. 12 Aug. 1835 New York City d. 9 May 1916, m. Laura Amelia _____ oc. carpenter

7. 2-Nathan Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁶ N. b. abt. 1805 Waterford, Conn. d. 13 May 1869 g.s. 65 yrs. New London, Conn. m. before 31 July 1826 Sarah A. Sprague dau. of Benjamin (Announcement made in Conn. Observer and Hartford Current) b. abt. 1809 d. 29 Oct. 1865 g.s. 56 yrs. New London, Conn. He joined Baptist Church, Waterford, Conn., 13 June 1830.

Census of 1850

Nathan Beckwith, age 44, merchant
Sarah Beckwith, age 38
Benjamin S. Beckwith, age 22
Carlos Beckwith, age 20
Elizabeth Tinker, age 30
William Keeler, age 16
Hannah Beckwith, age 10
Eugene Beckwith, age 3

- 8-1 Benjamin S., son of Nathan⁷ b. 26 July 1827 d. 13 Nov. 1882 at Port Richard, S. I., N. Y. and buried in New London, Conn., in the Robert K. Waller lot. m. Maria B. dau. of Robert K. and Abby Waller. Their son Benjamin W. d. 1867 age 4.
- 8-2 Carlos S. Beckwith b. abt. 1830 drowned in Fisher's Island Sound 31 May 1867, buried June 30, 1867, m. 26 Nov. 1851 Susan J. dau. of John K. and Ann Pimer by Rev. Robert A. Hallam, St. James Parish, New London, Conn.
- 8-3 Eugene Beckwith b. 1847 d. 29 Mar. 1861 age 13 yrs. 9 mo.

Census of 1860 New London, Conn.

Carlos S. Beckwith, age 31, merchant
Susan J. Beckwith, age 31

William Keeler was the son of Lucinda Beckwith Keeler Weed.
Hannah Beckwith, probably was the daughter of Nelson B. Beckwith.

7. 3-Mary Wightman Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. Jan. 1807 Waterford, Conn. d. 21 July 1881 Preston, Conn. m. James W. Keeler b. abt. 1811.

Census 1850 Norwich, Conn.

(James) John W. Keeler, N. Y., age 39, shoemaker
Mary W. Keeler, age 42
William Keeler, age 17
Mary Keeler, age 15
Elizabeth Keeler, age 13
Lucinda Keeler, age 11
John Keeler, age 9
George Keeler, age 5
Samuel Keeler, age 4
Sarah Keeler, age 1

Records in the Hartford, Conn., State Library show Mary K. Keeler m. 21 Feb. 1855 to Herman Beach; Elizabeth Keeler m. 10 Apr. 1857 to Alanzo Converse; Lucinda R. Keeler m. 14 Jan. 1858 to Henry L. Greeman and Sarah Keeler m. a Hill and lived in Camden N. J.

7. 4-Samuel Smith Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. Oct. 1810 Waterford, Conn. d. 30 June 1869, age 58 yrs. 8 mo. (g.s.) New London, Conn., m. 21 Sept. 1834, Waterford, Conn. Abby Almira Gorton dau. of Samuel and Rebecca Prentis Gorton. He joined the Baptist Church in Waterford, Conn. 12 Dec. 1829. He and his wife withdrew to New London, Conn., in 1845.

Census of 1850 New London, Conn.

Samuel Smith Beckwith, age 36, merchant
Almira Beckwith, age 33
Orlando Beckwith, age 15
Charlotte Beckwith, age 11
Augusta Beckwith, age 7

- 8-1 Orlando Gorton Beckwith, son of Samuel Smith, merchant, b. 1 July 1835 d. 1. Jan. 1890 m. 30 Oct. 1856 Cornelia D. McKinstrey b. 21 Dec. 1836 d. 1904 g.s.
- 9-1 Carrie Bell Beckwith, dau. of Orlando G., b. 21 Dec. 1857 New London, Conn. d. 14 July 1930 m. John W. Griswold. They had a son Walter Griswold b. 8 Sept. 1877 d. 29 Dec. 1947 m. Emily B. Rippin, and from this union there was a daughter Emily Cornelia Griswold b. Aug. 1916 m. 9 Aug. 1941 Robert J. DuPlessis.
- 9-2 Walter Douglas Beckwith, son of Orlando G., b. 16 Nov. 1863 New London, Conn., d. 2 April 1953 New London, Conn. m. Elizabeth Waite b. 10 April 1864 d. before 1951 New London, Conn. They had a son Noyes Beckwith b. 1893 d. 1896 and a daughter Gladys Cornelia Beckwith b. 2 Oct. 1898 New London, Conn. m. Frederick H. Southworth. The Southworths had one son Douglas S. Southworth b. 19 Dec. 1934 m. Jeanne Grant.
- 9-3 Isabelle H. Beckwith, dau. of Orlando G., b. 2 Sept. 1866, New London, Conn. d. 26 Dec. 1950 m. Darrow. There were no children.
- 8-2 Charlotte S. Beckwith, dau. of Samuel Smith, b. 4 Dec. 1835 New London, Conn., d. 4 May 1875 m. 25 Dec. 1865 Ezra W. Miller of Waterford b. 12 Dec. 1829 d. 23 May 1882.
- 9-1 Charles E. Miller, son of Ezra W. b. 16 Apr. 1875
- 8-3 Emeline Augusta Beckwith, dau. of Samuel Smith, b. 2 Aug. 1843, New London, Conn., d. 9 Apr. 1894 m. 29 Dec. 1862 Albert R. Darrow.

- 9-1 George Darrow
- 9-2 Harry Nordell Darrow
- 9-3 Louise Augusta Darrow b. 29 Mar. 1864 d. New
London, Conn.
- 9-4 Samuel Beckwith Darrow

Bible Records from an old bible owned by Mrs. Frederick H. Southworth (Gladys Cornelia Beckwith) of New London, Conn.

BIRTHS -

Samuel Gorton, May 1, 1789
Rebecca Gorton, December 21, 1787
Orlando P. Gorton, June 15, 1813
Abby A. Gorton, May 21, 1815

Orlando G. Beckwith, July 1, 1835
Charlotte S. Beckwith, December 4, 1838
Emeline Augusta Beckwith, August 2, 1843

Cornelia, wife of Orlando G. Beckwith, December 21, 1836

Carrie B. Beckwith, December 27, 1857
Walter D. Beckwith, November 16, 1863
Isabell H. Beckwith, September 2, 1866
Louise Augusta Darrow, March 29, 1864
Charlie E. Miller, April 16, 1875

MARRIAGES -

Samuel Gorton to Rebecca Prentis, December 8, 1811
Samuel S. Beckwith to Abby A. Gorton, September 21, 1824
Orlando P. Gorton to Ellan Way, October 19, 1846
Orlando G. Beckwith to Cornelia D. McKinstrey, October 30,
1856
Albert R. Darrow to E. Augusta Beckwith, December 29, 1862
Ezra W. Miller to Charlotte S. Beckwith, December 25, 1865

DEATHS -

Rebecca S. Gorton, October 4, 1850
Samuel Gorton, October 29, 1864
Orlando Gorton, April 5, 1881
Samuel S. Beckwith, June 30, 1869
Charlotte S. Beckwith, May 4, 1875
E. Augusta Beckwith, Monday, April 9, 1894
Abby A. Gorton, Saturday, June 2, 1894

Taken From Family Cemetary Plot:

Orlando G. Beckwith, 1835 - Jan. 1, 1910

His Wife

Cornelia D. McKinstrey, 1836 - 1904

Ezra W. Miller, born December 12, 1829
died May 23, 1882

7. 5-Belinda Southerland Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. 18 Nov. 1812, Waterford, Conn. d. 11 Nov. 1845 Savannah, Georgia m. 15 May 1831 George Scudder⁸ Nichols b. 15 Jan. 1809 Fairfield, Conn. d. 27 Oct. 1885 Savannah, Georgia, son of Alexander Scudder⁷ Nichols and Naomie Taylor of Fairfield, Conn. They moved to Savannah, Georgia, about 1831. Merchant - Ancient Land Mark Lodge F. A. M.

CHILDREN

1 - George Taylor Nichols

2 - Henry Alexander Nichols b. 10 Nov. 1836 d. 21 Sept. 1837

3 - Belinda Fidelia Nichols - All children born in Savannah, Georgia.

8-1 George Taylor Nichols, son of George Scudder⁸ Nichols and Belinda Sutherland Beckwith, b. 7 Nov. 1832 d. 28 Aug. 1906 m. 26 Apr. 1855 Sarah Maria Battey b. 4 Dec. 1835 d. 26 Oct. 1894

9-1 Alfred Scudder Nichols, son of George Taylor Nichols and Sarah Maria Battey, b. 12 May 1856 d. 4 July 1927 m. 14 Dec. 1881 Sarah Davidson Cooper b. 19 Aug. 1860 d. 20 Nov. 1841 - Merchant.

CHILDREN

1 - George Taylor Nichols (died small child)

2 - Sadie Beckwith Nichols (died small child)

3 - Alfred Cooper Nichols

4 - Mary Battey Nichols

10-3 Alfred Cooper Nichols, son of Alfred Scudder Nichols b. 22 Feb. 1883 Savannah, Georgia, a printer, m. 16 Jun. 1909 Ethel Corson Warnock b. 6 Dec. 1887. They had one son, Alfred Cooper¹¹ Nichols, jr., b. 11 Apr. 1910 and dau. Nell Beckwith Nichols b. 6 Nov. 1911.

10-4 Mary Battey Nichols, dau. of Alfred Scudder Nichols and Sarah Davidson Cooper, b. Savannah, Georgia, m. 9 June 1915 in Savannah, Ga., Edward Descombe Wells, son of Henry Clay Wells and Ida Mills, b. Savannah, Georgia. They had one child, Edward Descombe Wells, jr.

11-1 Edward Descombe Wells, jr., M.D., son of Edward Descombe Wells and Mary Battey Nichols, b. 27 July 1915 in Savannah, Ga. m. 19 Mar. 1942 in Cuthbert,

Ga. to Sarah Bonner Adair, dau. of Joseph B. Adair and Ida Hinton, b. 4 Aug. 1921 in Athens, Georgia. They have two children.

12-1 Edward Descombe Wells, III, b. 6 Feb. 1946 in Birmingham, Alabama.

12-2 Thomas Beckwith Wells, b. 19 Aug. 1950 in Biltmore, North Carolina.

8-2 Belinda Fidelia Nichols, dau. of George Scudder Nichols and Belinda Sutherland Beckwith, b. 29 Sept. 1839 in Savannah, Georgia, d. after 1909 in Bridgeport, Conn. m. 23 Sept. 1863 at Savannah, Georgia, to Charles C. Drake of Charleston, South Carolina, b. _____ d. 1894 in Bridgeport, Conn.

CHILDREN

1 - Charles C. Drake, jr., d. 1917 m. Mary - no children
2 - Edgar Drake m. Sarah J., one child Margaret b. at Bridgeport, Conn.

3 - Georgia Drake, single, lived in Bridgeport, Conn. and died there.

7. 6-Calvin (E.?) Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. abt. 1814, Waterford, Conn. Possibly the Calvin E. of New London whose son Calvin E. died 23 Apr. 1836 age 21 months, mother Charlotte. Samuel Smith⁷ Beckwith, his brother, had a dau. Charlotte which would indicate she was named after Calvin's wife. No trace has been found of Calvin.

7. 7-Lucinda Smith Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. 3 June 1816 Waterford, Conn., d. 10 Jan. 1904, Guilford, Conn. m. (1) 4 Oct. 1832 William Keeler at Stamford, Conn., at the Baptist Church by Rev. John Ellis; m. (2) 23 Nov. 1836 George Roswell Weed at Stamford, Conn., at the Baptist Church by Rev. William Biddle.

Census of 1850 New London, Conn. - Under Sylvanus N. Beckwith
Lucinda Weed, age 34
Mary J. Weed, age 8
Sarah A. Weed, age 6

8-1 Her son William Keeler, jr., age 16, lived with his uncle Nathan Beckwith. (Census of 1850)

8-2 Mary J. Weed, dau. of Lucinda Smith⁷ Beckwith, m. George Weed and lived in Guilford, Conn.

8-3 Sarah A. Weed, dau. of Lucinda Smith⁷ Beckwith, m. James Crawford of Hartford, Conn. They had one son, James Crawford⁹, jr., Norwich, Conn.

7. 8-Nelson B. Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁶ Nathan, b. abt. 1817 Waterford, Conn., d. 20 July 1880, age 63, New London, Conn. m. 2 April 1836 at New London, Conn., Lucretia Hannah Sprague dau. of Benjamin and Hannah Sprague. They were div. 22 Mar. 1849; she m. (2) J. Alanzo Smith.

Census of 1850 New London, Conn.

Hannah Sprague, 76 yrs.

David Sprague, 54 yrs.

Crandell Sprague, 35 yrs.

Frederick Beckwith, age 14)

Edward Beckwith, age 12) Children of Nelson B. Beck-

Sarah C. Beckwith, age 9) with & Lucretia H. Sprague

Alanzo Smith, age 32

Lucretia Smith, age 33

Hannah⁸ Beckwith (10 yrs. old in 1850) who lived with Nathan Beckwith was probably the dau. of Nelson B. and Lucretia Beckwith. Hannah was not a member of the Nathan Beckwith family.

A Fred A. Beckwith of Norwich, Conn. d. 16 April 1863 at the age of 25.

7. 9-Sylvanus Nathan Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. 27 Jan. 1821, Waterford, Conn. d. 24 April 1905 Darien, Conn. m. 22 Dec. 1848 at Southport M. E. Church (c.r.) Mary Hays, dau. of Alfred Hays and Sarah Oysterbanks b. 29 Nov. 1824 Fairfield, Conn., d. 22 Oct. 1906, Bridgeport, Conn. - Civil War Vet. - Ships Carpenter.

CHILDREN

1 - David b. 6 Aug. 1856, Bridgeport, Conn. d. 7 Nov. 1931 Trumbull, Conn.

2 - Frederick b. 6 Aug. 1856, Bridgeport, Conn. d. young

3 - Isabella b. 9 Aug. 1857 Bridgeport, Conn. d. 2 July 1931 Bridgeport, Conn.

4 - Fidelia b. 1859 Bridgeport, Conn. d. Apr. 1931 Arlington, New Jersey

5 - Emma b. 1862 Bridgeport, Conn. d. 1 Mar. 1896 Bridgeport, Conn.

6 - Sylvanus N. b. 22 Feb. 1863 Bridgeport, Conn. d. 20 July 1928 Fairfield, Conn.

7 - Charles Robert b. 1866 Bridgeport, Conn. d. 31 May 1931 Bridgeport, Conn. - Single

8 - Katherine b. 1869 Bridgeport, Conn. d. 30 Jan. 1950 Lynnhurst, New Jersey

David⁸ Beckwith b. 6 Aug. 1856 d. 7 Nov. 1931 Trumbull, Conn. m. 1 Dec. 1877 by Rev. Thomas Stephens, Bridgeport, Conn. M.E. Church, Ella Frances⁹ Barlow dau. of George⁸ Barlow and Harriet C.⁷ Merwin b. 8 Dec. 1861 Stamford, Conn. d. 5 May 1940 Stratford, Conn.

Frederick⁹ Harlan Beckwith b. 27 Sept. 1879 Fairfield, Conn. Architect, m. (1) 18 Sept. 1901 Church Good Shepard Shelton, Conn., Adeline Elizabeth⁹ Schellinger dau. of George⁸ E. Schellinger and Mary A. Dundas b. 10 Mar. 1879 Ansonia Conn. d. 6 Oct. 1948 Stratford, Conn. m. (2) 19 Feb. 1949 Cong. Church East Hartford, Conn. Jeannette (Ferris) Conley dau. of Samuel Arthur Ferris and Elizabeth J. Taylor. (For further genealogy notes see Burpeast's "The Story of Connecticut".)

Ella Mae¹⁰ Beckwith dau. of Frederick and Adeline E. Schellinger Beckwith m. Harry Wolfe Basch, United Church, Bridgeport, Conn.

Isabella⁸ Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁷ N. b. 9 Aug. 1857 d. 2 July 1931 Bridgeport, Conn. m. (1) Hugh McCarthy; m. (2) _____ Bromley. One son John⁹ McCarthy.

Fidelia⁸ Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁷ N. b. 1859 d. 12 April 1931 Arlington, New Jersey m. Charles Winters. One dau. Lillian⁹ Winters.

Sylvanus⁸ N. Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁷ N., b. 22 Feb. 1863 d. 20 July 1928 Fairfield, Conn., m. Margaret Dean Fairfield, Conn.

CHILDREN

1 - Mary Elizabeth⁹

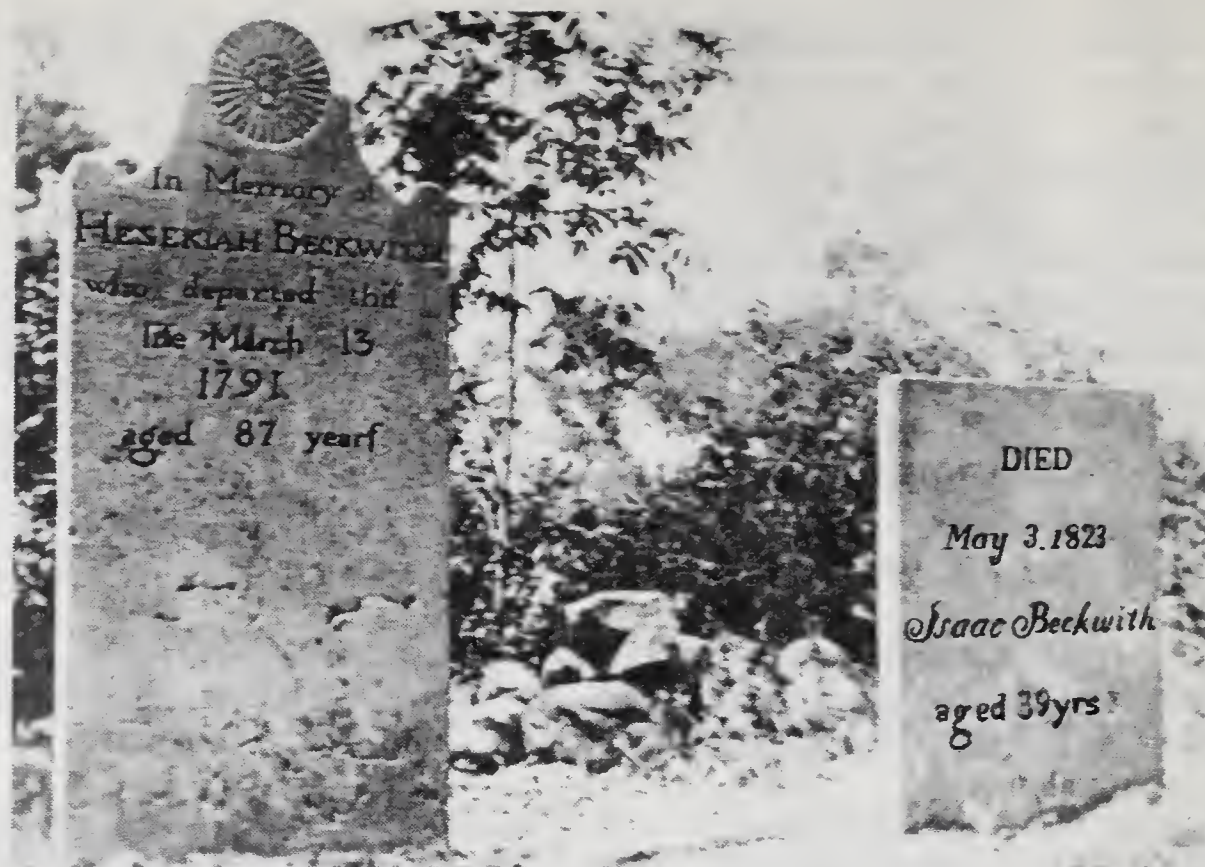
2 - Walter Henry⁹

Son, Walter Henry, jr., m. May Thompson b. 4 Dec. 1933

Katherine⁸ Beckwith, dau. of Sylvanus⁷ N. b. 1869 d. 30 Jan. 1950 Lynnhurst, N. J., m. (1) Roswell Craft Holyoke, Mass. m. (2) George Schaft, Newark, New Jersey.

7. 10-Capt. Allyn Wightman⁷ Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁶ N., b. 10 Sept. 1823 Waterford, Conn. d. 17 Jan. 1899 Gloucester, Mass. m. 7 Oct. 1851 New London, Conn., Mary A.C. Wilkinson dau. of John Wilkinson and Harriet Pearce b. Mar. 1823 Bath, Maine, d. 30 July 1904 Gloucester, Mass., age 81 yrs. 4 mos. He served in the Mexican War and the Mass. Inf. Boston, Mass. in the Civil War

Note: The genealogical records of Col. Nathan⁶ S. Beckwith, son of Sylvanus⁵ and Amy Southerland Beckwith, will be found in Paul Beckwith's and A. C. Beckwith's notes on the Beckwith Family. In Beckwith Notes #6, p. 25, #435 Isreal⁶ unmarried is incorrect. Should be Isaac⁶ who m. Millicent; he d. 3 May 1823 age 37 yrs. 10 days (g.s.). Children: Walter⁷, single and Lydia Ann⁷ m. Jonathan P. Gurney.





SMITH (Nehemiah)

1. Nehemiah Smith b. abt. 1605 d. abt. 1686 Norwich, Conn. m. 21 Jan. 1639/40 Sarah Ann Bourne dau. of Thomas Bourne, Marchfield, Mass., b. 1615 d. after 12 Jan. 1684 (Will see page 417 Vol. 38 N. E. Hist. & Genealogy Reg.) Plymouth 6 Mar. 1637/8, Southold, L. I. abt. 1640, Stratford, Conn. 1644, Oyster River 1645, New London (Groton), Conn. 29 Aug. 1652 to 1655, Smith Lake, Pequonnoc, Conn., Marchfield, Mass. 1655. Orig. Prop. at Norwich, Conn. 1663. Known as Goodman Smith, Sheppard or Weaver Smith.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Elizabeth b. abt. 1641 bapt. 22 Feb. 1645/6 New Haven, Conn. d. at New London, Conn. 1 May 1712
 - 2 - Mary b. 1642 bapt. 22 Feb. 1645/6 New Haven, Conn. d. May or June 1705 m. Samuel Raymond
 - 3 - Mercy b. 1644
 - 4 - Sarah bapt. 14 Dec. 1645
 - 5 - Hannah bapt. 14 Dec. 1645 m. Allyn (Waterman Family Appendix)
 - 6 - Nehemiah bapt. 24 Oct. 1646 Rev. John Davenport New Haven, Conn.
 - 7 - Mehitabel b. 4 July 1655 Marchfield, Mass., d. 14 March 1684/5 m. Joshua Abell
2. Nehemiah Smith, son of Nehemiah¹, bapt. 24 Oct. 1646 New Haven, Conn., by Rev. John Davenport d. 8 Aug. 1727 age 85 Groton, Conn., m. (1) 24 Oct. 1669 Lydia Winchester, dau. of Alexander of Roxbury, Mass. m. (2) Elizabeth Haynes, a widow, b. 1647 Rehoboth, Mass. d. 24 Oct. 1723 Groton, Conn.

A traveling shoemaker and was known as Mr. Justice Smith. In 1691 bought 700 acres of land in Niantic known as Soldier's Land or Reward, North of Black Point, Oswegathie or Walnut Hill west of Fresh Pond. A New London Deputy (Conn.) 1690-1-4-8, 1703-5. Governor Council 1703-5-11-15-24, Ensign Trainband, New London (Groton), Conn. Justice of Peace 1698 to 1724; Commissioner to settle boundries between Norwich, Groton, Preston, Conn. and Groton and Stonington, Conn.; Town Clerk Groton, Conn. 1707 to 1718.

"Home-dressed cow and calf skin boots were made by local or traveling shoemakers, among whom John Braman and Nehemiah Smith were experts."

"The young people chose to go to meetings in companies, because there were foxes in those days and wildcats. The young ladies came through the woods wearing calfskin shoes, and on reaching a suitable

place, would take off their stockings and shoes, hiding them under the rock, replacing them with clock stockings and colored morocco slippers. We heard of a young sea captain home from a long voyage who, before going to the church meeting saw a maiden coming along the path, she quickly made the exchange of stockings and shoes, hiding them as was the custom. He told no one of his thoughts, but on his next voyage home, he made her his mate". History of Groton by Stark.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Lydia b. 29 Oct. 1670
- 2 - Nehemiah b. 14 Nov. 1673
- 3 - Samuel b. 2 June 1676 bapt. 2 July 1676
- 4 - Martha b. 15 Oct. 1678 bapt. 2 Feb. 1678/9
- 5 - Daniel b. 29 Oct. 1680 bapt. 20 Mar. 1680/1
- 6 - Margaret b. abt. 20 Mar. 1683
- 7 - Joseph bapt. 7 Nov. 1686 Stonington, Conn. d. 19 Aug. 1689

Ref: The Waterman Family Vol. 1, pages 621, 623

3. Samuel Smith, son of Nehemiah², b. 2 June 1676 bapt. 2 July 1676 adm. 6 Sept. 1732 to Elizabeth Smith of New London, Conn. and Nehemiah Smith of Lyme, Conn., d. 1732 Pequonnoc, Conn., m. Elizabeth Ely dau. of Capt. William Ely, b. 26 May 1683 d. before 1777. Lived in Niantic "24 Nov. 1714 to winter sheep and cattle to Samuel Smith, Nahantic". Hempstead's Diary.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Nehemiah bapt. 3 June 1701 Lyme, Conn., 1769. Will proved 5 June 1769 m. Elizabeth Lester. "1743, 11 Oct. Gone to Nehemiah Smith to ye ordination of Joshua Rogers as a Baptist Teacher" - Joshua Hempstead Diary.
- 2 - William b. abt. 1703 d. after Feb. 1717/18 and before he was 21.
- 3 - Elizabeth m. John Fenner of Saybrook, Conn.
- 4 - Samuel b. abt. 23 June 1706
- 5 - Simon b. abt. 1712 d. 28 May 1760 age 48 (g.s.) m. (1) Rebecca Moor. Published Apr. 4, 1742 - Hempstead Diary. m. (2) Dorothy Beckwith b. abt. 1718 dau. of Joseph³.
- 6 - Joseph b. abt. 1714 d. 19 Sept. 1781 m. Mercy Fergo
- 7 - Lydia b. say 1716 m. (1) Elijah Beckwith m. (2) Elisha Mather m. (3) Noah Lester
- 8 - Daniel b. say 1720 m. (1) Lois May m. (2) Hannah Avery
- 9 - Paul b. abt. 1725 d. 16 Sept. 1804 m. 2 Oct. 1746 Mary King
- 10 - Mary - In 1741 deed was witnessed by Mary Smith probably wife of Samuel⁴. "24 July 1734 Samuel Smith Nahantic (Niantic) to take acknowledgement of a Quit Claim for Jos. & Daniel" - Hempstead's Diary.

4. Samuel Smith, son of Samuel³, b. East Lyme, Conn. perhaps
bapt. 23 June 1706. Living after June 1790. Probably
Baptist m. Mary b. abt. 1717 d. before June 1790.

CHILDREN

- 1 - William b. say 1741 d. 18 Feb. 1813 age 71, m. Mary
More 8 Jan. 1772 d. 4 Sept. 1836, age 90.
2 - Samuel b. probably by 1745 d. 1800

5. Samuel Smith, son of Samuel⁴, b. East Lyme, Conn. probably
by 1745 d. 1800. Will 28 Oct. 1799, proved 6 Mar. 1800
New London, Conn., now East Lyme, Conn. Deeded Homestead
in 1774. Baptist, R. W. Private in Capt. Fitch's Co.
m. (1) Chadwick m. (2) Mary Wightman dau. of Rev. Timothy
Wightman b. 21 Jan. 1754 Groton, Conn. d. 24 Aug. 1848,
age 93 (New London now East Lyme, Conn.)

CHILDREN (First Wife)

- 1 - Anna m. Jonathan Calkins
2 - Bridget m. Prentice
3 - Betsey m. David Beckwith Beebe. He m. (2) Mary Lamb
10-23-1808 dau. of Samuel and Tabitha (Wightman) Lamb

CHILDREN (Second Wife)

- 4 - Wightman
5 - Lucinda b. abt. 1784 d. 17 Aug. 1860, age 75 (g.s.)
m. Sylvanus N. Beckwith
6 - Jesse b. 11 Aug 1786
7 - Samuel b. 11 April 1790. War 1812 under Commander Noyes
Barber
8 - William C. b. abt. 1792 d. 8 Sept. 1823, age 31
9 - Mary or Polly
10 - John Gono b. 2 May 1796

Ref: Nehemiah Smith Family, The Waterman Family - Jacobus Vol. 2,
Pages 621-3, Donald Lines Jacobus, M. A., checked errors in
this family for me.

Census of 1850

*Mary S. Smith, age 45
Mark k, age 22
Charlotte, age 18
Hannah, age 16 m. a Beckwith,
Jacksonville, Fla.
Roselene, age 14
Mary E., age 10
Frederick M., age 8
Valentine, age 7
Timothy S., age 5
Ellen L. (Helene), age 2
Charlotte Chapman, age 71

Census of 1860

age 55

age 28

age 17
age 15
age 12
age 81

*This Mary S. Smith's husband probably belonged to the Samuel
Smith and Timothy Wightman Families.

ALLYN (7 C) - Robert Allyn b. 1616 Manchester, England d. before 20 Sept. 1683 m. Sarah _____ d. after 5 Dec. 1683 Est. £ 1668. In Salem, Mass. by 1636. Grant 200 acres 1636. Manchester, Mass. 1648. Constable. Freeman June 1649. New London, Conn. 1651 Ledyard (Allyn Point). Norwich, Conn. 1662 and was one of its founders. Joined church 15 May 1642. Norwich, Conn. Constable 1669.

CHILDREN

- 1 - John bapt. 22 May 1642 m. Hannah dau. of Nehemiah¹ Smith
- 2 - Sarah bapt. 22 May 1642 m. George Geer, Groton, Conn.
- 3 - Mary bapt. 19 Nov. 1648 m. Thomas Parke
- 4 - Hannah b. abt. 1660 m. 16 Sept. 1680 at Preston, Conn.
Thomas Rose
- 5 - Deborah m. abt. 1685 John Gager of Norwich, Conn.
- 6 - Robert Allyn m. Deborah Avery 29 Jan. 1691

Ref: Waterman's Gen. Jacobus and American Gen. Vol. 11, 12, 14.

AVERY (5 C) - Christopher Avery b. 1590 Salisbury, Co-Wilks-Hart, Eng. d. 12 Mar. 1679 m. 26 Aug. 1616 Margeri Stephens b. 1591. He did not bring wife with him. Weaver 1630 took ship Arbella to Gloucester, Mass. Selectman 1646-54. Boston 1658. New London, Conn. 1663. Released from watching and training June 1667. Freeman Oct. 1669.

2. James, son of Christopher, b. 1620 d. 18 April 1700 New London (Groton), Conn. m. (1) 10 Nov. 1643 Pequonnock, Conn. Joanna Greenslade b. abt. 1622 d. after 1693. m. (2) Abigail (Ingraham). She married (1) Chesbrough, (2) Holmes. He was Townsman in 1660 and held that office 23 yrs. Ens., Lieu., Capt. only trainband in Town (Groton), Conn. Commander - The Allied Forces: King Phillips War. He was 12 times deputy to General Court 1658 to 1680. Asst. Judge in County Court. In 1664 paid Church Tax on 236 £. In abt. 1656 built his house which became known as the "Hive of the Averys" at Pequonnock Plains (Now Groton), Conn. On this property is the Avery Memorial Park where a granite monument was erected in honor of the Avery Family.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Hannah b. 12 Oct. 1644 Gloucester, Mass. m. Ephraim Minor 20 June 1666
- 2 - James b. 16 Dec. 1646

CHILDREN (Continued)

- 3 - Mary b. 19 Feb. 1648 m. Joseph Minor 28 Oct. 1668
- 4 - Thomas b. 6 May 1651 m. Hannah Minor 20 Oct. 1677
- 5 - John b. 10 Feb. 1654 m. Abigail Chesebrough
- 6 - Rebecca b. 6 Oct. 1656 m. William Potts 5 Aug. 1678
- 7 - Jonathan b. 5 Jan. 1658 d. 8 Dec. 1683
- 8 - Christopher
- 9 - Samuel b. 14 Aug. 1664 m. Susannah Palmer 25 Oct. 1686

John D. Rockfellow's mother was an Avery, descended from Samuel⁹. John D. Rockfellow gave the Avery Memorial Library to New London, Conn.

3. Lieu. James Avery, son of James², b. 16 Dec. 1646 Groton, Conn., d. 22 Aug. 1728 m. Deborah Stallyon (Sterling) b. abt. 1651 d. 27 Mar. 1729 - Hempstead Diary p. 208.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Deborah b. 10 Aug. 1670 m. Robert Allyn 29 Jan. 1691
- 2 - James b. 20 Apr. 1673 m. Mary Griswold
- 3 - Margaret b. 5 Feb. 1674
- 4 - Edward b. 20 Mar. 1676 m. Susanna Rose 3 June 1699 at Preston, Conn., dau. of Thomas. Their dau., Joan Avery, m. Mark Stoddard
- 5 - Ebenezer b. 1 May 1678 m. Dorothy Park
- 6 - Christopher b. 23 Jan. 1679 m. (1) Abigail Park m. (2) Mrs. Prudence Wheeler m. (3) Mrs. Ester Prentice m. (4) Susanna _____
- 7 - Jonathan b. 9 Nov. 1681 m. Elizabeth Waterman
- 8 - Mary b. 4 Aug. 1683 died young
- 9 - Hannah b. 24 Mar. 1685 m. Samuel Morgan
- 10 - Sarah b. 10 May 1688 m. Tabitha Gardiner
- 11 - Benjamin b. 1696

There were 13 children in all. Will 15 Mar. 1717 p. 373, probated 8 Oct. 1728.

Hannah Avery who m. William Southerland was probably the daughter of Edward who bought property in Horseneck, (Stamford) Conn., 14 Mar. 1710 and later lived in Dutchess County, N. Y., as early as 1735.

BOURNE (7 C) - Thomas Bourne b. 1581 perhaps Co. Kent, England. d. 11 May 1664, age 83, oc. Draper. Made his will 2 May 1644. Plymouth, Mass., 1637. Freeman Jan. 1637/8, Marchfield 1640, where he was a man of substance and repute, serving in various capacities. He was referred to as Mr., and at least once as Gent., indicating a superior social standing; m. Elizabeth b. abt. 1590 bur. 18 July 1660, age 70.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Martha b. abt. 1614 d. bet. 1676-80
- 2 - Margaret b. abt. 1616 bur. 2 Oct. 1683
- 3 - Elizabeth b. 1618 bur. 12 Dec. 1683 m. John Wells
- 4 - Sarah Anne b. 1620 d. aft. 1684 m. Nehemiah Smith
- 5 - John b. 1622 bur. 8 Dec. 1684

Ref: Waterman Genealogy by Jacobus

BROWN (7 C) - William Brown d. 1650 m. Jane Burgin 20 June 1611
Rusper, Eng. d. of smallpox on board ship 1645.
Schoolmaster at Rusper, England.

CHILDREN (Bapt. at Rusper, Co. Sussex, England)

- 1 - Joseph b. 8 Aug. 1613
- 2 - John b. 15 Oct. 1615
- 3 - Jane b. 13 Sept. 1618
- 4 - Mary b. 6 Oct. 1622 m. Robert Marvin
- 5 - Thomas b. 9 Jan. 1624
- 6 - Henry b. 28 Dec. 1626, Providence, R. I.

The baptism of Phebe Brown or her marriage with Thomas Lee have not been found. Phebe Brown Lee m. (2) Greenfield Larribee m. (3) James Cormish. Joshua Hempstead m. Elizabeth dau. of Greenfield and Phebe (Brown) Larribee.

William Brown settled at Saybrook (Lyme, Conn.), abt. 1645
Lived at Southampton and Hemstead, L. I.

Ref: N.E. Hist. Reg. V. 61 p. 116, 117, Col. Charles D. Parkhurst

DE WOLFE (6 C) - Belthazer, wife Allice Hartford 5 Mar. 1656.
Presented by Will. In Wethersfield, Conn., 1664. In
Lyme, Conn., 1668. In 1678 was a member of Town
Trainband. He wrote a good hand.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Edward
- 2 - Simon
- 3 - Marah m. Thomas Lee, jr., 13 July 1676

Ref: N.E. Gen. & Hist. Reg.

ELY (5 C) - Richard Ely, Hamshire, Eng., d. 24 Nov. 1684 bur. Ely Buring Ground, Lyme, Conn. m. (1) Joane Phipps d. before 1671 m. (2) Elizabeth Fenwick widow John Cullick d. 12 Nov. 1683 Lyme, Conn. Boston Merchant Shipping.

CHILDREN (Recorded in Plymouth, England)

- 1 - William bapt. 15 Oct. 1647
- 2 - Judith bapt. 6 Sept. 1652 d. 21 June 1655
- 3 - Richard bapt. 19 June 1657 m. Mary Marvin
- 4 - Daniel bapt. 7 Jan. 1659 d. 8 Mar. 1659
- 5 - Samuel - by second wife

In 1676 Richard Ely added to his holdings, a large grant of land within the bounds of Falls River, Moonchange Creek, the cove and Connecticut River. His tract, together with that of the Lords, covered about all that is now included in the parish of the First Congregational Church of Lyme, Conn., until those baronial estates began to be divided up. There were few settlers before 1700 in the northern part of Lyme at Sterling City and Pleasant Valley, Conn. He owned 3000 acres at Ely Ferry, Lyme, Conn.

2. Capt. William, son of Richard, bapt. 15 Oct. 1647, Will 3 Feb. 1717 m. Elizabeth Smith 1670 b. 1645 dau. of Simon Smith of Haddam, Conn.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Ann b. 12 Mar. 1681/2
- 2 - Elizabeth died young
- 3 - Richard
- 4 - Daniel
- 5 - William
- 6 - James
- 7 - Elizabeth b. 26 May 1683 m. Samuel Smith.
- 8 - Mary b. 12 Mar. 1682/3
- 9 - Deborah
- 10 - Joanne

Will of William Ely, Lyme, Conn. - 3 Feb. 1717 to son Richard, my mansion house, barn, orchards, gardens and yard; with wharf and landing place upon 6 Mile Island Farm, with all my upland between said house and my brother, Richard's Land, Son Reub. Ely and Daniel Ely (land). Son William Ely my dwelling house at Brigg's meadow 1/2 of twenty acres, that is to be laid out to me and 1/2 of meadow in Saybrook, etc., to my daughter Smith - To my grandson William Smith 40 acres of land and in case he should die before he comes of age, then my granddaughter Elizabeth Smith shall have it forever, Richard, Daniel and William appointed executors - presented probate 9 April 1718.

Will of Elizabeth Ely 16 April 1734 mentions 4 daughters
Elizabeth Smith, Deborah Butts, Mary Noyes, and Joanne Matson.

Ref: The Ely Ancestry by Mosses S. Beach & Rev. William Ely.

FOOTE (7 C) - Nathaniel Foote b. 1593 d. 1644 m. Elizabeth Deming
abt. 1615. Carpenter. Wethersfield, Conn., Stratford,
Conn. by 24 June 1678. Went to Chesterfield, Conn.,
and bargained with Owaneco, a Mohegan Sachem for the
land on which the villages stands. Foote built a
cabin 1703 and died before he could occupy that prim-
itive shelter which is preserved as a memorial to the
pioneers. He is one of the patentees named in its
charter. He had seven children, owned 400 acres of
land, Magistrate for many years and Rep. 1641-2-4.
His dau. Mary m. John Stoddard.

GILBERT (4 C) - Thomas Gilbert b. 1582 Eng. d. 5 Sept. 1659 age 77
m. Lydia d. 24 Mar. 1653/4. Came over on the
"Mary & John" 20 Mar. 1630 (American Gen. Vol. 9 p.
157). In 1640 at Braintree, Mass. In 1644 at Windsor,
Conn. In 1658 at Wethersfield, Conn.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Jonathan b. abt. 1618
- 2 - Ezekiel
- 3 - Sarah b. abt. 1624
- 4 - Josiah b. abt. 1628
- 5 - John b. abt. 1630
- 6 - Thomas
- 7 - Obadiah of Fairfield, Conn.

2. Jonathan Gilbert, son of Thomas, b. abt. 1618 d. 10 Dec. 1682
age 64 (g.s. Hartford) Inv. £ 2484 m. (1) 29 Jan.
1645/6 Mary dau. of John White d. abt. Dec. 1649
m. (2) 1650 Mary Wells dau. of widow Frances Wells.
Frances Wells later m. Thomas Coleman. She died Mar.
1678. Will 26 Mar. 1678 Est. £ 562.

CHILDREN (First Wife)

- 1 - Jonathan b. 11 May 1648
- 2 - Mary bapt. 17 Dec. 1649

CHILDREN (Second Wife)

One child born 25 July 1651

- 3 - Sarah
- 4 - Lydia
- 5 - Thomas b. 1656
- 6 - Nathaniel
- 7 - Ebenezer
- 8 - Samuel b. abt. 1663
- 9 - Ester m. Charles Dickens
- 10 - Rachel

Interpertor between English and Indians; Inkeeper; Engaged in business, warehouse in Hartford; Coastal Trading; Collector of Customs, Hartford, Conn.; Marshall of the Colony; Representative General Court; Acquired large tracts of land in different settlements. He was grandfather of Jonathan Belcher, Colonial Governor of Mass. and later of New Jersey.

3. Capt. Samuel Gilbert, son of Jonathan², b. abt. 1663 d. 5 Aug. 1733 age 70, m. 2 Oct. 1684 Mary Rogers b. abt. 1665 d. 30 Sept. 1756 age 91 (g.s.), dau. of Samuel Rogers and wife Mary, dau. of Thomas Stanton and Anna Lord. Capt. Samuel was of Lyme, Conn. Colchester by 1698, one of the early planters. Queen Ann's War. Col. Whitney Reg.

CHILDREN

- 1 - John b. 29 June 1685
- 2 - Samuel b. 5 Feb. 1687/8
- 3 - Nathaniel b. 25 Sept. 1690 m. Mary Bissell 8 Feb. 1720/21
- 4 - John b. 12 April 1692 d. 22 Nov. 1755 in his 63 yr.
- 5 - Mary b. 2 Dec. 1696
- 6 - Lydia b. 4 Sept. 1707 m. Hezekiah Beckwith
- 7 - Mercy b. 4 Oct. 1709 - See Vol. 5 P. 310 H. E. Hist. & Geo. Reg.

Will of Joseph Way mentions Lydia and Mercy Gilbert. Rec. 5 Book of Wills Folia 186-187 28 Feb. 1726, widow of Joseph² Beckwith m. Capt. Way, Page 2; Capt. Joseph³ Beckwith, her son, appointed adm. Page 3.

Ref: Gilbert Family Vol. 4 N. E. Hist. & Geo. Reg. p. 229, N. E. Hist. Gen. Soc. Vol. 72 p. 159 and Vol. 80 p. 160 & 89, History and Genealogy of Old Fairfield Families Vol. 1, p. 216 American Ancestry Vol. 12

HOLMES (HYLME) (5 C) - Robert Hulme of Reddish in the Parish of Manchester, Eng. Will dated 11 Aug. 1602 proved at Chester 28 Jan. 1604-5. Oldest son Robert and widow bur. 7 Sept. 1610 as Alyce.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Robert
 - 2 - John
 - 3 - Jane, whose child George is named in her father's Will.
2. Robert Hulme, son of Robert¹, b. Stockport Eng. 12 Nov. 1604
m. Katherine Johnson b. Stockport, Eng. 8 Sept. 1630
(John³ bapt. at Stockport 3 May 1607 marticultated at
Brasenose College 18 Nov. 1627, age 17.)
3. Rev. Obadiah Holmes, son of Robert, b. abt. 1607 bapt. at
Didsbury, Eng. 18 Mar. 1609-10 d. 15 Oct. 1682. He
was living in Reddish, Eng. 1633. m. Katherine Hyde
20 Nov. 1630 at Collegiate Church Manchester, Eng.
Was in Salem, Mass. Dec. 1639; one of the original
glass blowers; an early Baptist Confessor; 1642-45
Jury; Newport, R. I. 1649; Grand Juror; 1650 Pastor
of New Church.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Joan
 - 2 - Samuel
 - 3 - Nathaniel
 - 4 - Robert
 - 5 - John
 - 6 - Joseph
 - 7 - Jonathan d. 1718 m. Sarah Bordan
4. Rev. John Holmes, son of Obadiah, 7th child b. 1649 d. 2 Oct.
1712, Warwick, R. I. m. (1) Frances Holden m. (2)
Mary Sayles (Green) 12 Oct. 1682, b. 11 July 1652
d. 1713. A Deputy 1690; General Treasurer 1691-1703.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Mary m. John Brown, son of Rev. Chad Brown & Elizabeth
- 2 - Frances
- 3 - Ann m. (1) Peleg Peckham m. (2) Ralph Chapman
- 4 - Susanna b. abt. 1683 d. 1726 m. Rev. Valentine Wightman
10 Feb. 1703

Ref: Vol. 19 American Genealogy, Col. J. T. Holmes Vol. 54, p. 237
Vol. 83 & 34 N. E. Hist. Soc.

LEE (5 C) - Thomas Lee, Rusper, Co. Sussex, England, came to America
without family abt. 1641 where he made arrangements
to build a house on a grant of land in what is now
East Lyme, Conn. Probably his friend Matthew Griswold
took charge of its erection. He married Phebe Brown
dau. of William Brown.

CHILDREN (Bapt. at Rusper, England)

- 1 - Jane bapt. 12 Sept. 1640 m. (1) Samuel Hyde m. (2) John Birchard
- 2 - Phebe bapt. 20 May 1642
- 3 - Thomas bapt. 29 Sept. 1644

Soon after Thomas was baptized, Thomas Lee and his wife Phebe came to America about 1645. According to tradition Thomas Lee, Sr. on his way to this country died at sea with smallpox. Phebe's father and mother came over with them. Phebe m. (2) Greenfield Larribee, m. (3) James Cormish.

2. Thomas Lee, son of Thomas¹, bapt. 29 Sept. 1644 d. 30 May 1705 m. (1) Sarah Kirkland d. 21 May 1676 m. (2) Mary (Marah) DeWolfe, perhaps dau. of Balthazar and Allice 13 July 1676. He was known as Ens. or Lieu. Lee, head of the Trainband. Constable (a great office in those days) and a member of the General Assembly 1676.

CHILDREN (15 in all) (First Wife)

- 1 - John b. 21 Sept. 1670
- 2 - Thomas b. 10 Dec. 1672
- 3 - Sarah b. 14 Jan. 1674/5

CHILDREN (Second Wife)

- 4 - Phebe b. 14 Apr. 1677
- 5 - Mary (Marah) (Savage Vol. III) b. 23 Apr. 1679 m. Joseph Beckwith - "She was the third daughter of my Uncle Lee, etc. - Hempstead Diary 10 Apr. 1757."
- 6 - Elizabeth b. 20 Oct. 1681 m. Samuel Peck
- 7 - William b. 7 April 1684
- 8 - Steven b. 27 June 1686 d. 5 Dec. 1694
- 9 - Joseph b. 14 May 1688
- 10 - Benjamin b. 8 Oct. 1692 d. 12 Oct. 1690
- 11 - Hannah b. 25 Feb. 1694/5 d. 20 Oct. 1681 m. John Griswold
- 12 - Steven b. 19 Jan. 1698
- 13 - Lydia b. 18 Feb. 1701

Ref: The last 8 children's births, deaths and marriages taken from Lyme, Conn. Vital Records. American Genealogist Vol. 13 & Vol. 25, New Eng. Reg. Vol. 24.

Will 9 June 1703 proved 19 Feb. 1704/5 Lyme, Conn. Records Vol. 12, p. 154 - Wife Mary 1/3 movable estate. Two oldest sons, John and Thomas had their portion. Son William, right at Pygaus Hill. Son Joseph various lands on plain, Specticule Pond. Son Benjamin, all buildings where I live. Son Stephen land west of flat rock. Dau. Sarah 5 Shillings - after increased. Three daus. Phebe, *Mary, and Elizabeth 40 £ a piece. Younger daus. Hannah and Lydia 40 £ each. Wit, Matthew² and Elizabeth Beckwith.

Ref: Guide to the History and Historic Sites of Conn., Crofut.

Pamphlet "Thomas Lee House" Antiquarian & Landmark Society, Inc., Conn., 24 Oct. 1953.

The Thomas Lee House -

The first structure was built for the family of Thomas Lee on a grant of land made to him before he left England, the first addition in 1660 and second addition in 1715. It is still standing and is maintained by the East Lyme Historical Society, Inc., Connecticut. Norman Isham, expert Archeologist said "This extremely interesting old dwelling will take rank as one of the oldest on the shore of the sound, and indeed in all Connecticut".

The Lees owned all the land along Bride Brook as far as the eye could see, but there was an ancient dispute as to whether the territory came under the Authority of Lyme or New London. Finally it was decided to settle the matter by the time (honored method of trial by combat) and the Lyme gladiators won. Their chief, one Reinold Marvin, claimed young Phebe* Lee's hand as a reward.

It was near the old well by the Lee House that Capt. Marvin made his historic proposal. Sitting on his sheepskin saddle he reined in his horse by her side "Phebe* the Lord has commanded me to marry you" whereupon Phebe* looked modestly down and replied "The Lords will be done". Ensign Lee's objections to the match did not prevent the publishing of the banns which read:

"Reinold Marvin and Phebe* Lee
Do intend to Marry
And though her dad opposed be
They will no longer tarry"

CHARGE

"I charge my dear Children, that you fear God and keep his Commandments and that you uphold his public worship with diligence and constantly as you can and that you be constant in the duty of secret prayer, twice every day all day the days of your lives and all you that become to be heads of families that you be constant in Family Prayer, praying evening and morning with your Families besides your prayer at meal and that you in your Prayers you pray for converting grace for yourselves and others, and that God will show you the Excellency of Christ and cause you to love him and believe in him and show you the evil of sin and make you hate forever and turn from it and that you never give over till you have obtained converting grace from God.

Furthermore, I charge you that you chuse Death rather than deny Christ in any wise or any degree and that you never turn papist or hereticks but serve God in the way you was brought up in and avoid all Evil Company lest you be led into a snare and Temptation. Also be careful to avoid all Excess in Drinking and

all other sin and prophaneness and be always dutiful to your mother and be kind to one another.

This I leave in Charge to all my posterity to the End of the World charging every person of them to keep a copy of this my Charge to my Children. This is my dying Charge to my Children."

"John Lee" (Son of Thomas²)

January 13, 1716

LORD (7 C) - Thomas Lord, embarked 19 April 1635 on "Elizabeth and Ann" at London, Hartford, Conn., Homelot 1639 Thomas age 50. Dorothy Bird, age 46, his wife.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Thomas, jr, age 16
- 2 - Anne, age 14 m. Thomas Stanton abt. 1637
- 3 - William, age 12
- 4 - John, age 10
- 5 - Robert, age 9
- 6 - Aymie (Irene), age 6
- 7 - Dorothy, age 4

His wife died in 1696, age 87. Will executed 8 Feb. 1697. Her Will was sealed with the family Coat of Arms.

Ref: History of Hartford County p. 272 Trumbull, Thomas Lord by Kenneth Lord 1946

ROGERS (5 C) - James Rogers, 1635 Ship Increase, age 20. Milford and New London, Conn., d. 7 Nov. 1713?, m. Elizabeth dau. of Samuel Rowland of Stratford, Conn. A list of property in New London, Conn., 1664, shows James Rogers paid on 548 £ in taxes in comparison to that of his neighbor, John Winthrop, who paid only on 169 £. The James Roger's house was one of the two built of stone.

Uncas made in 1658 the first grants in Mohegan (North Parish Montville) on the west side of the river to Richard Houghton and James Rogers. The first to settle in North Parish was Samuel Rogers in 1670. In New London, Conn., the 10 Nov. 1650 a Town Meeting voted to cooperate with Mr. Winthrop in establishing a mill to grind corn. The people were to build the dam and do the heavy work. Mr. Winthrop leased the mill about 1657 to James Rogers, a baker, when he moved to Hartford, Conn., to reign as Governor. It still can grind and is still a picturesque building in New London, Conn.

2. Samuel Rogers, son of James¹, b. before 1641 d. 1 Dec. 1713 Will dated 12 Feb. 1712/13, age 72 and upwards. m. 17 Nov. 1664 Mary dau. of Thomas Stanton. Samuel Rogers and Thomas Stanton contributed 200 £ each - marriage covenant. oc. Baker. Six times Rep. Gen. Court. Acquired property and influence - Civic and eccleseastical. Dau. Mary b. abt. 1665 d. 30 Sept. 1756 (g.s.) m. Capt. Samuel Gilbert.

"16 June 1713 I went with Benj. Star and Samll Fosdych and our wives and Samll Rogers to Jno Harris in Ebe Dennis' boat to drink cyder and recreat ourselves." Joshua Hempstead Diary.

Ref: Samuel Rogers mentions his grandfather, Samuel Rowland History New London, Conn. by Caulkins, History & Genealogy of Families of Old Fairfield - "Jacobus".

ROSE (6 C) - Thomas b. 1645 d. 1743 very old, m. Hannah Allyn 16 Sept. 1680 at Preston, Conn., b. abt. 1660 and died after her husband. His estate £ 2498. Thomas Rose of Marblehead who was in Bellerica in 1673 and Mass. in 1679 may be the same.

CHILDREN

Dau. Susanna m. Edward Avery
Son John lived in Southhampton, L. I.

"When the Town of Norwich was laid out in 1685 Robert Allyn's and Thomas Rose's houses were located at the southeast corner 'near white oak tree' of Norwich."

Ref: History of Norwich by Caulkins.

SAYLES (6 C) - John Sayles b. 1630 d. 1681 Rhode Island m. Mary Williams 1650 b. Aug. 1633 d. 1681 Plymouth, Mass. dau. of Roger Williams. Assoc. 1650-5-7-8-9 Assistant; 1655 Freeman; 1655-59 Commissioner; 1655-7 Clerk; 1658 Warden; 1659-60 Town Treasurer; 1669-71 Grand Juror; 1669-70-1-4-6-7-8 Deputy; 1670 Auditor of Accounts; 1670-71 Town Council. Mary, "Mother of Governors" Lecture by Emily H. Paine.

CHILDREN

- 1 - John Sayles m. Elizabeth Onley
- 2 - Deborah m. Caleb Carr, jr.
- 3 - Isabel m. John Tillinghast
- 4 - Eleanor m. Richard Green
- 5 - Catherine m. William Onley
- 6 - Mary b. 11 July 1652 d. 1713 m.(1) William Green 17 Dec. 1674 m.(2) Rev. John Holmes 12 Oct. 1682 b. 1649 d. 2 Oct. 1712.

Ref: American Genealogy Vol. 15 Roger William Genealogy.

SMITH (8 C) - Richard Smith, Gloucestershire, England b. abt. 1596 d. 1692. Taunton, Mass 1638 and in R. I. the next year where he had a large trading Inn, perhaps two, in North Kingston and Wickford, purchase of the sachem in 1641, and this, it is of opinion, led to taking sides against Samuel Gorton and his associates where both of other sachems who made Arnold and companions of Providence cry out against Gorton and his friends, who preached bad doctrines in the judgment of the Mass. people, and thence in the summer came the cruel, if not perfidious, religious war of 1643 against Gortonism. For this knowledge Smith was employed with others in Oct. 1643 "to fetch the cattle from Providence", being the plunder our forces took with the misbelieving prisoners. Comp. Col. Rec. II-48 with Winth. II-84 and 142-8. In that wide estate after a brief trial at Newtown, L. I. (probably Mass.). He enjoyed great esteem forty years as sovereign of all Misquamicuck, Caucumsquissic and Pettaquamscut, was honored with a commission as chief magistrate from Connecticut 1671, as he had supported their rights against the claims of Providence, who were favored by the royal commission in 1665.

This Richard Smith in 1665 bought of Lyon Gardiner the territory on Long Island, since named Smithtown, near Huntington. He soon after bought largely from the Indians. He died in 1692. His grave with that of his wife, Sarah, is on Nissequoque Neck in Smithtown, Long Island.

Richard Smith used a Bull for riding about and was known as Bull Smith, to distinguish him from William Smith of Brookhaven.

Note: A statue of a Bull has been placed in Smithtown.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Jonathan
- 2 - Obadiah
- 3 - Richard II
- 4 - Job
- 5 - Adam
- 6 - Samuel
- 7 - Daniel
- 8 - Elizabeth
- 9 - Deborah
- 10 - Katherine m. Gilbert Updike 24 Mar. 1643 New Amsterdam
- 11 - Elizabeth m. John Vial
- 12 - Jane m. Thomas Newton

In New Amsterdam Richard Smith was one of the eight men to advise Director Kieft on the Indian War in 1643. - History of New York Vol. 1 A. C. Flick.

7 Nov. 1656 Mr. Richard Smith, Sr., arbitrator, also mentioned Richard Smith of Nissequoque, 1659. Court Minutes of New Amsterdam Vol. 2 Richard Smith, Sr., and Richard Smith the younger mentioned in a suit in regard to 68 lbs. of beaver, 24 May 1661, New Amsterdam.

Bronze Tablet - Here were buried in one grave 40 men who died in the Swamp Fight or on their return march to Richard Smith's Blockhouse Dec. 1675. North Kingston and Exeter, R. I. Vo. 74 1920 N. E. Hist. & Geo. Rec.

Richard, Wickford, called junior 1663, son of Richard the first purchased Hog Island in Narragansett Bay, was one of the Council of Sir Edmund Andros. His will of 16 Mar. 1691 allows us to suppose that he had no children for it gives all the income to his wife for her natural life, after which the whole to kinsmen, Lodowick and Daniel Updike, etc., etc. - Gilbert and Katherine (Smith) Updyke children.

Ref: Savage p. 219 with additional notes by Rev. Benj. L. Swan in 1860, Bridgeport Library.

SMITH (7 C) - Simon Smith b. abt. 1620. Will dated 11 Nov. 1687; in Hartford, Conn., by 5 June 1646. Brother of Christopher of North Hampton, Mass. Admitted Freeman 1677. Bought land in Haddan 20 May 1662. First settlement. He was named many times as executor of many wills of the Town inhabitants. His will states wife living. Sons - John, Simon b. 2 Aug. 1662, Joseph and Benjamin; daus. - Susannah, Mary and Elizabeth b. 1647 m. William Ely 1670.

The Will of Thomasine Owfield, wife of Robert, states 4 sons of my dau. Martha wife of Simon Smith - Samuel, Thomas, John and Simon - dated 16 June 1637. (Could this Simon mentioned in her Will be Simon's father mentioned above?)

From Haddan shore to Haddan shore plied the earliest ferry in 1644 where the pious pilgrim bride ended her honeymoon at the landing where the sandy beach, wet from the outrun tide, felt the prick of a bridal slipper-heel.

Ref: N. E. History & Genealogy Reg. Vol. 47 p. 497, Savage Vol. 4 Connecticut Triology.

SOUTHERLAND (SUTHERLAND) - William Southerland and wife Margaret Toshak ? came to America from Scotland about 1684 possibly to Greenwich, Conn. Moved to New Windsor Precinct, Orange Co., New York abt. 1709. He died 1724.

CHILDREN

- 1 - David m. Mary MacGregorie dau. of Patrick d. 1778
 - 2 - William
2. William, son of William¹, m. (1) Hannah Avery m. (2) unknown. Bought land in Horseneck, Greenwich, Conn., 16 Feb. 1722. Moved to Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess Co., New York, probably between 1755 and 1759. See Avery Family p. 21.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Charles b. abt. 1716 m. 1 April 1736 Mary Stevens
Their children consisted of: 1-Mary b. 30 May 1738; 2-Margaret b. 2 Mar. 1742; 3-Ann b. 3 Mar. 1743; 4-Joanna b. 29 Mar. 1745; 5-Helena b. 15 Feb. 1748.
- 2 - Capt. Robert b. abt. 1719 d. 1798 R.W. m. (1) Abigail unknown m. (2) 20 Apr. 1758 Mary Scofield. Lived in Charlotte Precinct, N. Y. Children by first wife: 1-Roger b. 16 Mar. 1743, m. Hannah Barton; 2-William R. b. 16 Mar. 1745; 3-Samuel b. 22 Jan. 1747; 4-Joseph b. 19 Jan. 1749; 5-Hannah b. 15 Mar. 1751; 6-Stephen b. 5 Apr. 1753; 7-Silas b. 5 Feb. 1755. Children by second wife: 8-Abigail; 9-Lydia; 10-Sarah; 11-Mary. Ref: C. A. Randall, Brewster, New York.
- 3 - Col. David b. abt. 1721 d. 10 Apr. 1794, Stanford, New York. R.W. Sixth Reg. Charlotte Precinct - m. Judith Griffin. Children: 1-William b. 1745; 2-David; 3-Judith; 4-Joel D. b. 30 Aug. 1755 d. Nov. 1804 m. 1778 Mary Brush dau. of Benj. Nathan Beckwith was admr. of his estate 16 Nov. 1804; 5-Hannah; 6-Soloman b. Jan. 1764; 7-Anna; 8-Sarah.
- 4 - William b. abt. 1725. Will drawn 22 Aug. 1760 proved 27 May 1761 m. Ester (Smith ?), settled in North Castle, Westchester Co., New York. His Will was probated in New York and gave the name of his oldest son Smith Southerland, other children not named. Will stated his children were to be brought up and schooled out of his estate until his youngest son was of age. Smith Southerland was probably not older than 14 at the time of his father's death. Sixth Reg. Charlotte Precinct. R. W. First Lieu.
- 5 - Joseph b. abt. 1730, moved to Sutherland Falls, Rutland Co., Ver., 1790 moved to Saratoga Co., New York.
- 6 - John b. 8 July 1735 d. 10 June 1817 m. (1) Marie dau. of Silas Germaine Jan. 1755. m.(2) 22 Feb. 1790 Jerusha Stanley in Lee, Mass. He lived in Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess Co., N.Y., until 1760 then moved to Otto Brook, Rutland Co. Vt. Children: 1-Peter b. 20 Feb. 1756 d. Cambria, Niagara

Co., New York; 2-James b. 3 Nov. 1758; 3-William b. 4 Mar. 1761; 4-Justus b. 21 Mar. 1763; 5-John b. 18 June 1765; 6-Mary; 7-Isabella; 8-Silas b. 3 Aug. 1772 m. Lucy Foster of Wallingford, Conn. She d. 1811 in Half Moon, Saratoga, N. Y. Aaron F. Randall of Boston, Mass., in a letter dated 1 May 1911 writes he is a grandson of Silas b. 3 Aug. 1772; 9-Eric b. 27 April 1774. Children by second wife: 10-Rachel b. 7 Jan. 1791; 11-Jerusha b. 21 Dec. 1792 d. 17 Mar. 1876; 12-Hannah b. 12 Sept. 1791 d. 5 Feb. 1862; 13-Justus b. 27 Sept. 1797 d. Oct. 1882.

7 - Amy (by the second wife) b. 20 Apr. 1743 probably Greenwich, Conn., d. 22 Oct. 1817 age 75 (g.s.) m. Sylvanus Beckwith and lived in Stanford, New York.

The following are Sutherland (Southerland) marriages from 1778 to 1819 taken from the Collection of Elder Lumon Burtch of the Baptist Church of Stanford at Bengall, Dutchess County, N.Y. and now in the possession of the Samuel Colgate Baptist Historical Collection, Rochester, New York:

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Joseph Sotherland to Mary Brown, May 19, 1778
 Joseph Surtherland to Sarah Dunham, October 24, 1790
 Josiah Sutherland to Abigel Dunkun, August 1791
 Rowlen Sutherland to Hannah Dunkins, June 28, 1792
 Lewis Surtherland to Phebe Mosher, November 20, 1800
 Leonard Winans to Sally Ann Sutherland, November 11, 1814
 Abraham r. Knapp to Sally Sutherland, September 30, 1815
 Lewis Sutherland to Judith Sutherland, October 24, 1816
 Isaac Sutherland to Polly Green, January 27, 1819
 Ebenezer Sutherland to Gertrude Husted, February 16, 1819
 John Barnum to Laranja Sutherland, November 2, 1819

Copies of the original marriage records, 1806-1865 are in the possession of the Long Island Historical Society, Brooklyn.

The Historical Sketch of First Baptist Church, appearing in the 1871 Minutes of Dutchess Baptist Association, indicates that "the first members appear to have emigrated from Massachusetts".

The late Mrs. Elizabeth Beckwith Odgen, granddaughter of Sylvanus Beckwith in a letter dated 11 Nov. 1920 "Amy Sutherland, the wife of Sylvanus Beckwith, was the daughter of William Sutherland. Was she the daughter of William of Charlotte Precinct (now Pine Plains) or William of Horse Neck ? (Greenwich) according to tradition she was the daughter by the second wife of William of Charlotte Precinct, in that case a daughter by the second wife".

The late Douglass Merritt of Rhinebeck, N. Y., in a letter dated 21 April 1921 "I have always assumed that Amy Sutherland b. 20 May 1743 d. 21 Oct. 1817, was the daughter of the first William of Greenwich who may be the William of Bengall (Charlotte Precinct) so called in my genealogy by a second wife. Letter of

24 Aug. 1921 - There is a tradition that William Sutherland of Greenwich and Bengall by a second wife had a daughter, name not certain, who married Sylvanus Beckwith." Mr. Merritt further writes that "The Sutherland Family is a very difficult one to trace on account of the lack of records and the ignorance of their ancestors". However, with the data given it is reasonably certain that Amy was the daughter of William of Horse Neck (Greenwich) and Charlotte (Bengall) because all other William Sutherlands in that area were not old enough to be her father.

The late Aaron F. Randall of Boston, Mass., in a letter dated 2 July 1911 "all the Westchester, Dutchess and Orange Counties, N. Y., Sutherlands undoubtedly are descended from William the immigrant who settled at Horse Neck and then moved to New Windsor Township about 1709".

It would seem that all who settled in Charlotte Precinct were descended from William of Greenwich, Conn., and Charlotte Precinct, New York. Therefore, Amy Southerland would be 1/2 sister to Charles, Roger, David, William, Joseph and John and a step-grandmother to Smith Southerland.

William Southerland² and his married sons Roger, David and John moved from Greenwich, Conn., to Charlotte Precinct, New York. Smith Southerland, his grandson also lived there and is said to have lived with his grandfather. It is my belief when Smith Southerland's father died and he being under age would be placed under his grandfather's guardianship. Smith Southerland later moved to Cocksackie Town and according to the census of 1790 had two sons under 16 and four daughters.

The Southerlands were Baptist and a few of the Southerland gravestones are still standing in the Baptist Cemetary Yard in Bengall, N. Y. The Southerlands were very patriotic, there being not less than 25 from Dutchess Co. and Westchester Co. who served in the Revolution.

Regiment raised in Charlotte Precinct of 13 companies of which David Southerland was Colonel, Roger Southerland was Capt. of the 10th Company and Smith Southerland was First Lieut. of the 5th Company.

Ref: American Genealogy, Virkis Vol. 1, In Ye History of Ye Town of Greenwich by Spencer P. Mead L.L.D., Southerland material being collected by Rear Admiral W.H.H. Southerland, Aaron F. Randall and Douglass Merritt, History of Nine Little Partners, etc., by Isaac Huntting.

STALLION (7 C) - (Stanley, Sterling) - Edward d. 14 May 1703
 drowned New London, Conn. m. (1) Margaret d. after
 1680 m. (2) Elizabeth dau. of George Miller d. 1685
 m. (3) Christian wid. William Chapell d. 21 Feb.
 1718/19. "Sat. 21 Feb. 1718/19 Goodee Stallyn the
 mother of Jno Chappell died an old woman" Hempstead
 Diary. House built in 1660 of stone on Towne St.,
 now called Edgecomb property. Lived in Preston 1664.
 Church tax list 169 £ (Only 13 had over 150 £ in New
 London, Conn.) 1680 owned Sloop Edward & Margaret
 30 tons. Oc. Coastal Trading.

CHILDREN (First Wife)

- 1 - Deborah m. 20 Feb. 1669 Lieu. James Avery, jr. d. 27 Mar.
 1722 buried near Center West Burying Ground Pequonnock,
 Groton, Conn.
- 2 - Sarah m. James Edgecomb
- 3 - Margaret m. Pasco Foote

STANTON (7 C) - Thomas Stanton b. abt. 1605 d. 2 Dec. 1678. Will
 in June. Sailed to Virginia on Ship Bonaventure
 1635, age 20. Sailed immediately to Boston, Mass.
 Interpreter on a mission to Saybrook, Conn. with Mr.
 Fenwick and Hugh Peters; Hartford, Conn. 1637; Ston-
 ington, Conn. 1638; House Lot 1639, 6 acres; Paw-
 tucket River; m. 1637 Ann dau. of Thomas and Dorothy
 Lord, d. 1688. Pequot War; 1638 County Marshall;
 1646 Deputy; 1664-5 Judge, Stonington, Conn. He was
 elected to almost every position. His name is con-
 nected with the leading measures of the colony and
 with almost every Indian Transaction on record. The
 last stand of the Pequots was in a swamp in Fairfield,
 Conn. and Thomas Stanton on July 13, 1637 entered the
 swamp to offer a truce to the women and children and
 he returned with nearly 200. In 1670 Uncas, the
 Mohegan Sachem, went from Mohegan to Pawtucket for
 Mr. Stanton to write his will, taking with him a train
 of his noblest warriors to witness the same, given to
 the occasion all the pomp and pageantry of savage
 royalty.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Thomas d. 1718, age 80
 - 2 - John d. 30 Oct. 1713, age 72
 - 3 - Mary m. 17 Nov. 1662 Samuel Rogers
 - 4 - Hannah m. 20 Nov. 1662 Nehemiah Palmer
 - 5 - Joseph bapt. in Hartford 21 Mar. 1646
 - 6 - Daniel d. before 1688
 - 7 - Dorothy m. Rev. James Noyes d. 1742, 91 yrs.
 - 8 - Robert d. 1724, age 71
 - 9 - Sarah m. William Denison d. 1713, age 59
- All were living in 1713 except Sarah and Daniel.

Ref: History Town of Stonington, Conn. - Wheeler
History of New London, Conn, Caulkins and Memorial History
of Hartford County p. 261

STODDARD (7 C) - John Stoddard b. abt. 1620 England d. Dec. 1664
m. abt. 1642 Mary Foote, dau. of Nathaniel Foote and
Elizabeth Deming. Hingham, Mass. 1637; granted land
1638; New London, Conn. 29 Aug. 1651/2; House Lot
Foxen Hill.

Ref: Weathersfield by Adams & Stiles

2. Ralph Stoddard, son of John, b. abt. 1664 d. 2 Feb. 1728-29,
age 64, of measles m. Mary Ames b. Jan. 1670 probably
dau. of Hugh. In 1696 bought land in Norwich, Conn.
(North Stonington) Second Cong. Church, Ledyard, Conn.
"Samuel Seabury presided (Bishop) at meeting in Ralph
Stoddards House (Baptist)" p. 186 Joshua Hempstead
Diary. Ralph Stoddard appointed to layout highway
from Groton Center to Preston, Conn.

Ref: p. 326-7 Groton, Conn. 1705-1905 by Charles R. Stark

3. Mark Stoddard, son of Ralph², b. 11 Feb. 1702 drowned at
Groton, Conn. 27 Jan. 1725/6 m. Joanna Avery b. 21
Nov. 1700. "Sat. 30 Jan. I came to Stonington and
hear yt. on Thursday last Ralph Stoddard son Mark
and Robert (Negro Man) was drowned crossing ye river
against itt. Robert Stoddard in a small house boat
which filled in the water and each of their elder
sons hardly escaped drowning. Mark Stoddard's body
found 18 Mar. 1725/6". Hempstead Diary 1724/5. Dau.
Mary m. Rev. Timothy Wightman. Mark Stoddard's Will
New London Probate: To my dau. Mary Stoddard, etc.
Mrs. Joanna Stoddard Adm. 26 Apr. 1725, Filed 2 May
1728. 141.16.9; 621.22.23.

TALLMAN (6 C) - Taleman, Dutchy of Schleswig, Holstein, Germany
b. abt. 1558 oc. Apothecary.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Peter b. abt. 1582
- 2 - Susanna b. abt. 1584
- 3 - Henry b. abt. 1586
- 4 - Anna b. abt. 1588

2. Henry, son of Taleman, b. abt. 1586 of Hamburg, Germany
probably m. Anna admitted a burgher 14 Aug. 1646.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Anna Maria bapt. 20 Sept. 1616
- 2 - Elizabeth bapt. 24 Mar. 1619
- 3 - Peter b. abt. 1623

3. Peter, son of Henry², b. 1623 Hamburg, Germany d. 1708 Portsmouth, R. I. Estate settled 8 May 1709. m. (1) 2 Jan. 1648/9 in Christ Church Parish in the Island of Barbados to Anna Hill dau. of Philip and Ann Hill, div. 1665 in New England. m. (2) Joan Briggs marriage settlement dated 24 July 1665 Taunton, Mass. m. (3) abt. 1686 Esther _____

On the 13 Mar. 1702/3 he stated he was 80 years old. Said he left Hamburg in 1647 to go to the Island of Barbados and within two years m. Anna Hill; 7 or 8 months after his marriage moved to R. I.

His agreement to transportation from Barbados to Rhode Island with Nathaniel Mavericke dated 2 June 1648 was as follows:

3 lbs. sterling per ton for all cast, and for cotton 5 farthings per lb. and for tobacco 1 penny per lb. Total 10 tons. Tallman to have passage of one Englishman and three negroes; he providing provisions for them.

He was in Newport, Rhode Island, by May 1650 and moved to Portsmouth, Rhode Island, soon after. A freeman in 1655 and a land owner. He was an early purchaser of land and active in the settlement of Martha Vineyard. He appears in Connecticut Records 20 May 1652 when he was called Dutchman. Bought lands from Indians within the bounds of Plymouth Colony; and was apparently for sometime at Flushing, Long Island. From 1655 to 58 his name frequently appears in court records of New Amsterdam acting as an interpreter between English and the Dutch. Purchased much land in Dartmouth, Mass. Principal place of residence was Portsmouth, Rhode Island.

CHILDREN (First Wife)

- 1 - Mary b. abt. 1651
- 2 - Elizabeth b. abt. 1654
- 3 - Peter b. abt. 1655
- 4 - Ann b. abt. 1658
- 5 - Joseph b. abt. 1660
- 6 - Susanna b. abt. 1662 m. Joseph Beckitt (Beckwith)
- 7 - a dau. b. abt. 1664

Ref: The Tallman Family p. 69 Vol. 85 N. E. Hist. & Gen. R.O.G.

UPDIKE (6 C) - Gilbert Updike, son of Gysbert Updike and Gertrude. A physican bore the name of Gysbert Op. Dych. the surname in the next generation being Updike. Bapt. 1605 at Wesel Church St. Willitrode m. 24 Sept. 1643 Katherine Smith, dau. of Richard, d. 1664. They were married in New Amsterdam, N.Y. In 1635 New York at Lloyds Neck; 1638-9-40 Commissary of Fort Good Hope; 1642 Commissary of Provisions; 1644 Signed contract to build church for Gov. William Kieff and others. Granted patent of Coney Island; 1645 Member Council of War; 1647 Commander of Fort Good Hope; 1656 Assessor; 1658 Court Messenger; 1664 Kingstown, R. I.

Arms: Two Bars, 6 Fleur-de-Lys - Swan's Head
Dau. Elizabeth m. Rev. George Wightman

Ref: Gen. Dict. of Rhode Island by John Osborn Austin. List of persons buried in Updike burial ground see Vol. 74 1920 New England History and Genealogy Rec.

WELLS (WELLS) (6 C) - Frances Welles, widow b. abt. 1605 probably from Evesham Co., Worcester f. Hadley, Mass. probably Mar. 1678. Will proved 26 Mar. 1678 m. (1) m. (2) Thomas Coleman. Will dated 29 Sept. 1674 — Hartford 1636; Wethersfield 1645.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Thomas Welles b. abt. 1625 d. 1676, age 56 m. May 1651 Mary _____.
- 2 - Mary Welles b. abt. 1627 d. 3 July 1700, age 74 (g.s.) m. 1650 Jonathan Gilbert, Innkeeper at Hartford, Conn.
- 3 - John Welles b. abt. 1635

Ref: American Genealogy Vol. 28 #4

WIGHTMAN (3 C) - Rev. Edward Wightman, m. Francis Darby. Burnt for Heresy on 11 April 1612. Burton on the Trent, Litchfield England, being the last martyr to suffer death for religious liberty.

2. Johannas Wightman, son of Edward¹ b. 7 Jan. 1599.
3. Rev. George Wightman, son of Johannas b. June 1632 d. Jan. 1722. Res. Rhode Island and Groton, Conn. m. Elizabeth Updike, dau. of Gilbert b. 1644 d. 1722.

On 4 May 1700 summoned by assembly to answer in court of being engaged in a riot.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Elizabeth
- 2 - Allice
- 3 - Daniel
- 4 - Jarah
- 5 - George
- 6 - John
- 7 - Samuel
- 8 - Valentine, Rev.

Two of Rev. Valentine's brothers were preachers, two were deacons and one a professor of religion (Baptist).

4. Rev. Valentine Wightman, son of George b. 1 April 1681 Kingston, R. I. d. 17 June 1747 Groton, Conn. m. 10 Feb. 1703 Susanna Holmes dau. of Rev. John b. 16 April 1681 Newport, R. I. d. 1 June 1747 Groton, Conn.

Moved to Groton, Conn. 1705. House and 20 acres of land given by William Stark 6 Sept. 1707. Sent original petition to the General Court at Hartford, Conn., for a settlement as a dissenting congregation in 1704. In 1705 organized the first Baptist Church in Conn. In 1710 founded first Baptist Church in Waterford, Conn. Also the first Baptist Church in New York State and preached there in 1712 and 1724. In 1743 organized the Baptist Church in Boston, Mass.

Valentine Wightman granted to William Stark the right to build dam and flood land for the purpose of milling, etc.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Daniel b. 23 Sept. 1703 d. June 1753 Norwich, Conn. m. Catherine Westcott
 - 2 - Valentine
 - 3 - Abraham b. 15 May 1711 d. 3 Feb. 1800 m. Susanna Stark
 - 4 - Timothy, Rev. b. 20 Sept. 1719 d. 14 Nov. 1796
 - 5 - Susanna - (Joanna)
 - 6 - Sarah
 - 7 - John, Rev. b. 8 June 1723 d. 14 April 1781 m. (1) Polly Stoddard m. (2) Content Neff. Lived Walcott Mountain Rd., Southington.
 - 8 - Elizabeth
 - 9 - Mary b. 18 Dec. 1704 d. 1777 m. Joshua Rathbone
5. Rev. Timothy Wightman, son of Valentine⁴, b. 20 Sept. 1719 d. 14 Nov. 1796, age 73 (g.s.) Will dated 15 Mar. 1796 m. (1) Jane Fish 1 June 1743 d. 14 Mar. 1744/5 m. (2) Mary Stoddard 13 May 1747 Groton, Conn. (Town Records Vol. 1 p. 175) b. 4 Aug. 1725 d. 19 Feb. 1817 age 91.

Ordained 20 May 1756. Became pastor of Groton Baptist Church and continued for 42 years until his death. Served - Latimers Reg. August to November 1777. R.W.

"In the midst of the trying scenes (Groton, Conn.) Rev. Timothy Wightman stood by the altar of God and by the rights of his country" etc. (Sprague's Annual Vol. 6 p. 29)

"His church furnished its quota of patriotic blood in defense of liberty and Timothy Wightman taught his people to honor the right. Rev. F. Denison's sketch of the Wightmans in Sprague's Annual p. 439 His ministry extended throughout the stormy period of the Revolution in which he nobly acted the part of a patriot." Baptist Encyclopedia Vol. 2.

"Dec. 20, 1769 - Oblong, Dutchess Co., N. Y.

After my love to Elder Wightman (Timothy) and all that are with him in the church, to all people to whom these presents shall come, greetings, know ye that I, Christopher Sharpe, at the place above written do give, grant, convey and confirm unto the said Wightman above written and the church that are with him, to their heirs and assigns forever, all my right in the Baptist Meeting house in Groton in Connecticut, all my right in the money that was given to the church by William Roe, to have and to hold, to use and improve to their own proper benefit and behoof. In confirmation of which I have set my hand the day above written.

- signed - Christopher Sharpe
in the presence of James Sharpe and Daniel Sharpe."

Ref: Groton, Conn. 1705-1905 - Charles R. Stark".

CHILDREN (First Wife)

1 - Isaac b. 13 Mar. 1744/5

CHILDREN (Second Wife)

2 - Allyn b. 27 June 1748

3 - Mary b. 20 Jan. 1750 d. 5 Oct. 1751

4 - Amy b. Dec. 1751

5 - Mary b. 21 Jan. 1754 m. Samuel Smith

6 - Tabertha b. 4 Feb. 1756 m. Samuel Lamb

7 - Timothy b. 20 Sept. 1760 m. Mary Avery

8 - Hannah b. 22 May 1761 m. Daniel Smith

9 - Jesse b. 22 Jan. 1764

10 - John Gono, Rev., b. 16 Aug. 1766 m. (1) Mary Clark
m. (2) Bridget Allyn

Ref: Wightman Memorial - Dedication of a Monument 19 Aug. 1890
History of New London, Conn., Caulkins; Groton, Conn. 1705
to 1905, Charles R. Stark; Conn. Genealogy & Family History
1884.

WILLIAMS (7 C) - James Williams m. Allice Pemberton

CHILDREN

1 - James

2 - Sydrack

3 - Katherine m. (1) Ralph Wightman m. (2) John Davies

4 - Roger

5 - Robert

2. Rev. Roger Williams, son of James¹, b. abt. 1605 Cow Lane,
London, England d. between 27 Jan. and 15 Mar. 1683
m. Mary Barnard 15 Dec. 1629 bapt. 1609 d. _____ dau.
of the noted Puritan Divine Rev. Richard Barnard.

Embarked Bristol, England on Ship Lion, 1 De. 1630 arrived Nantucket 5 Feb. 1631. In Jan. 1639 settled Rhode Island. Served as Commissioner, Town Clerk, Warden, Town Treasurer, Deputy, Town Council.

CHILDREN

- 1 - Mary b. Aug. 1633, Plymouth, Mass. d. 1681 m. (1) William Green m. (2) John Sayles
- 2 - Freeborn b. Oct. 1635 d. 10 Jan. 1710 m. (1) Thomas Hart m. (2) Walter Clarke
- 3 - Providence b. Sept. 1638 d. Mar. 1686, single
- 4 - Mercy b. 15 July 1640 d. 1705 m. (1) Resolved Waterman m. (2) Samuel Windsor
- 5 - Daniel b. Feb. 1641 d. 14 May 1712 m. Rebecca (Rhodes) Power
- 6 - Joseph b. 12 Dec. 1643 d. 17 Aug. 1724 m. Lydia Onley

"To condense a life of Roger Williams to a few pages is an impossibility, so great was this man". D. L. Jacobus, noted genealogist.

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